PEAK PERFORMANCE
01446 775775

The Cowbridge GEM

'Your priceless weekly newspaper'

Established 1983

WE BUY FUR
REAL FUR & VINTAGE CLOTHES
07972 160690
Mike@TheVintageHQ.com

Weekly audited distribution (51 weeks) to 31/12/18 - 45,308
(GEM Series). Audited by David Pinder & Co Ltd. Chartered Accountants.

www.glamorgan-gem.co.uk

THURSDAY MARCH 14TH, 2019

Cowbridge man is new Royal Welsh Show president - see page 3.

A unique museum - and it's right here in the Vale! See page 6 for full story.

Vale budget approved – but local Tories are in disarray

VALE Council Leader John Thomas has been told his backbenchers will no longer tolerate being ignored after a "devastating defeat" over his budget.

Two weeks ago, the budget was voted down but last week it went through after the Vale Leader relied on Labour support.

The GEM understands there is serious discontent among Conservative backbenchers on the council over what party insiders say are "a number of PR blunders" such as proposed car parking charges, dog controls and the "closure" of Llancarfan Primary School.

It is also understood several Conservative councillors were "incensed at the perceived arrogance of doing a deal with Labour" last week to approve the budget rather than address concerns within the party, while some were concerned about the level of council tax increases in the budget.

Almost half the Conservative members on the authority – a total of 11 councillors – abstained from voting in favour of the budget on Friday, March 8.

The budget, which included a 4.9 per cent council tax rise, was passed after the Conservative leadership struck a deal with the Labour opposition.

Cllr Thomas has defended his administration's record and said he was confident he can agree a way forward with most of the councillors who voted against him. He said he sought a deal with Labour after a meeting with Conservatives colleagues last Wednesday when it became apparent he could not rely on the support of his whole party.

A source within the Vale of Glamorgan Conservatives said: "This was a devastating defeat for the cabinet, and it sends a strong message that the group will no longer tolerate being ignored on key policy decisions. How John Thomas reacts to the vote will dictate what happens next."

CONTINUED ON PAGE 4

Young rugby players are off to Ja-

ABOVE: The rugby players are fundraising for their trip.

NINE talented year 12 and 13 Cowbridge Comprehensive boys have been selected to represent Wales in the Sanix Youth Rugby World Cup, in Japan in early May.

The boys need to raise part of the money to fund the trip and so have organised a car boot sale, to take place at Cowbridge Comprehensive School on Sunday, March 17 at 9am to 12.30pm.

Car booters can set up from 8.30am at £5 per car and traders are welcome to attend for a £10 fee. The boys will also be putting their muscles and strength to good use by washing cars for a donation.

Thanks go to Cowbridge Fire Service for allowing us to use their water hydrant, buckets and sponges for the occasion. The weather is scheduled to be dry and sunny so there's no excuse not to come along and support the event.

The boys have also organised a curry night to be held at Cowbridge Rugby Club on Friday, March 29 with a question and answer session with Cardiff Blues players (children welcome). *For further information on either of these events call 07857 808492/07702 618981.* **RJ**

The pencil case
COWBRIDGE
Mother's Day
Sul y Mamau
Welsh & English cards
Helium balloons
Lovely stationery & gifts
Exam Revision
Revision cards
Post-it notes
Highlighters
Clear pencil cases
Open 9-5 Monday to Saturday
50 Eastgate, Cowbridge
01446 772210
www.thepencilcase.co.uk
sally@thepencilcase.co.uk
ThePencilCaseCowbridge

SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT
Dental Implant and Restorative Services
• Experienced Royal College trained surgeon
• Realistic pricing • Interest free credit
• Simple and complex cases undertaken
We are currently offering FREE consultations.
Call 01446 795240 today.
wyndham house dental practice
Wyndham House, Boverton Road, Llantwit Major CF61 1XZ
Dental implant services provided by Simon Hill GDC No 72727
*Loans subject to status, terms & conditions apply. 9% APR representative.
Authorised and regulated by Financial Conduct Authority.

VALE CHURCH COWBRIDGE
a friendly informal group of Christians that meet at the Town Hall every
SUNDAY 10.30am
find us on facebook
VALE CHURCH COWBRIDGE
Charity No. 284789 (England & Wales)
01446 500 233
http://apostolic-church.org/

Readers' Letters

Please keep your letters BRIEF and address them to: The Editor, at Glamorgan GEM Ltd, Graig House, 53 Eastgate, Cowbridge CF71 7EL or email editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

• Letters and e-mails MUST include your FULL address, contact telephone number. We reserve the right to edit all letters. We do NOT accept anonymous mail.

'Increase in council tax is scandalous'

THE Vale Council want to load us up with yet another inflation busting council tax increase.

The leader of our council, Cllr John Thomas, says the proposed tax hike is relatively low. Is this man living in the real world?

I am like most council tax payers in that we are now paying more per month in council tax than we were paying for our mortgages, the difference being at the end of our mortgage, we have something to show for it.

For our monthly council tax outlay, however, we do have a number of things to show for it – we have free potholes on just about every road in the Vale. We have many of our street lights turned off at midnight, we have a Police and Crime Commissioner with an abundance of staff including two secretaries – an inevitable drain on the Vale Council's annual budget.

We managed our police force particularly well for over 100 years, so why do we have to pay out for this entity, plus his entourage of expensive staff?

We have limited amounts of waste we can legally leave for kerbside collection, which has resulted in increased litter louts and fly tipping incidents; the list goes on and on.

So a relatively low council tax increase is on the cards. If this latest exorbitant proposal of a 4.9 per cent increase goes ahead, it will mean we will have had more than a 32 per cent increase in six years in our council tax.

The Vale Council has over £75 million in reserve, yet continues to throw our money around like confetti for useless and unnecessary consultations on useless projects that never come to fruition and they then expect us to pay for it – it is totally scandalous.

Come on, Cllr Thomas, even Dick Turpin wore a mask.

Barrie V Evans, Coordinator, Barry First Group.

'Thanks to GEM correspondents'

WE would like to thank both Barrie V Evans and Anne Usher for their kind words in last week's 'Readers' Letters' in The GEM, following the announcement that Silver Star is closing down.

We have had a sensational response to our advertisement in The GEM with over 600 customers in the first two days of the sale. The store is open until Saturday, March 30 and we look forward to seeing many of our customers and friends in the next two weeks.

David and Terry Sylvester, Barry

'Memorial Hall left us in T.RExtasy!'

ON March 9, my mother and I attended the Memo Arts Centre to watch T.Rextasy.

The set up was perfect with cabaret seating and a large space in front of the stage to dance (and of course, we did!). There were plenty of bar staff to ensure we were well-hydrated.

I just wanted to publicly thank the team at the Memo for securing the band as we have seen them before and they are fantastic! Here's to many more evenings at our arts centre.

Lois Banks, Barry.

Why publicising your event in The GEM is a good choice!

Ward councillors with the group.

I would like to thank The GEM for advertising Highlight Park Community Neighbourhood Watch's recent event in the paper.

I am so very grateful for your support and thought you might like to know it was a great success.

The Mayor came and opened the session with a brief explanation of how we were able to start up the project and why. Both our Dyfan ward councillors, and the police, came to support us.

There was a very happy and friendly reception from everyone who was there. They mixed well and the atmosphere in the room was buzzing as they all chatted to each other at their tables. A raffle was held too.

Slightly more than 55 people attended so I feel we have fulfilled an important social role in our area and look forward to our next sessions.

The event left the Neighbourhood Watch coordinators feeling exhilarated and very pleased with the response, and on behalf of all who attended I would also like to thank them for giving up their time for this project too.

Once again, thank you so much for providing us with your valuable space in the newspaper in order to help our community.

Ada Flinn, group co-ordinator Highlight Park Community Neighbourhood Watch.

Editor's note: We're happy to be of service to the community Ada! If you want to let us know about events taking place in your area then email editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk.

Feedback sought on dementia friendly Barry and the Vale

I AM chairperson of the Dementia Friendly Barry Steering Group, one of a number of groups based in towns in the Vale that aim to promote organisations, businesses, libraries, banks and leisure centres to be more inclusive when providing services for people living with dementia and their carers.

To help us achieve this, it would be very useful to have feedback from the public by answering nine basic questions, which will take approximately three minutes.

The answers will be used to campaign and raise awareness of the concerns raised in the questionnaire.

You don't have to be a carer or living with dementia to answer these questions. Find the questionnaire link on the Dementia Friendly Vale website page at *www.dementiafriendlyvale.co.uk/dementia-vale-activities-support*. There is also a link on Twitter @*dementia_vale*.

Jane Weldon, chairman, Dementia Friendly Barry Steering Group.

Fields in Trust – why the difference?

IT was ironic that, in last week's edition of The GEM, as well as printing my letter you reported on three open spaces in Llantwit Major which have received Fields in Trust status over the last six years; whereas the Cowbridge Physic Garden has been denied this protection.

Perhaps the Llantwit councillors are more in tune with their communities than those who represent Cowbridge.

Catherine Clay, Cowbridge.

Defibrillators in your area

WELSH HEARTS
CALONNAU CYMRU
THE HEART CHARITY FOR WALES
ELUSEN Y GALON DROS GYMRU

Balmoral Quays Management, 16 Balmoral Quays, Penarth, CF64 3NS
Barry Masonic Lodge, Masonic Hall, Broad Street, Barry, CF62 7AT
Barry Memorial Hall & Theatre, Gladstone Road, Barry, CF62 8NA
Marco's Café, Promenade, Barry, CF62 5TQ
The Amelia Trust Farm, Five Mile Lane, CF62 3AS
Barry Town United AFC, Jenner Park, Barry Road, Barry, CF62 9BG
Barry West End Club, St Nicholas Road
Bryn Hafren Comprehensive, Merthyr Dyfan Road, Barry, CF62 9YG
Castleland Community Centre, Belvedere Crescent, Barry, CF64 4JZ
Lloyds Bank, 1 Windsor Road, Penarth, CF64 1YR
Lower Penarth Community Association, Brockhill Way, Penarth, CF64 5QD
Morrisons Supermarket, Penny Way, Barry, CF63 4BA
Pen y Garth School, Redland Road, Penarth, CF64 1QN
Penarth Bowls Club, Rectory Road, CF64 3AN
Penarth Mini & Junior RFC, Lavernock Road, Penarth, CF64 3QH
Penarth Pier Pavilion, The Esplanade, Penarth, CF64 3AU
Penarth Town Council, Paget Rooms, Penarth, CF64 2YG
The Bay Caravan Park, St Mary's Well Bay Road, Lavernock, CF64 5XS
Dinas Powys Bowls Club, St Andrews Road, Dinas Powys, CF64 4HB
Select Convenience Store, 27 Eastgate, Cowbridge, CF71 7EL
Edmondes Arms, 9 Cardiff Road, Cowbridge, CF71 7EP
The Star Inn, Treoes, CF35 5DL
Llantwit Major Bowls Club, Recreation Ground, Boverton Rd, Llantwit Major, CF61 1XZ
Cowbridge Town Hall, High Street, CF71 7DD

Information supplied by www.welshhearts.org.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL MARCH 21)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

DATE	Time AM	Ht M	Time PM	Ht M
14 Thur	11.14	8.2	23.42	8.0
15 Fri	N/A	N/A	12.24	7.9
16 Sat	01.04	7.8	13.59	7.6
17 Sun	02.42	7.9	15.27	8.1
18 Mon	03.58	8.5	16.34	8.8
19 Tues	04.58	9.4	17.31	9.7
20 Wed	05.53	10.1	18.19	10.4
21 Thurs	06.41	10.6	18.59	10.7

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should check with a tide table specific to their location.

The Glamorgan GEM • Contact us...

Tel: 01446 774484 • Fax: 01446 774108

FACEBOOK: GlamorganGEM / TWITTER: gem_news • GEMSportNews

General Manager: jan.irving@glamorgan-gem.co.uk
News Submissions: editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk
Editorial enquiries: gareth.jamieson@glamorgan-gem.co.uk
Tim Chapman tim.chapman@glamorgan-gem.co.uk / TWITTER @*TimGlamorganGEM*
Philip Irwin philip.irwin@glamorgan-gem.co.uk / TWITTER @*PhilipGlamGEM*
Andy Johnstone andy.johnstone@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Advertising/Distribution/Classified/Notices: sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk
Sales Manager: jan.irving@glamorgan-gem.co.uk • **Sales:** wendy.snatchfold@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

www.glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Published by: Glamorgan GEM Ltd., Graig House, 53 Eastgate, Cowbridge. CF71 7EL. Printed by TMP Birmingham.

We abide by the code of practice upheld by the Independent Press Standards Organisation (IPSO). This contains provisions for issues such as accuracy.

If you have a complaint, write to us at the address below, left, or call Gareth Jamieson on 01446 774484. All complaints will be fully investigated. If you are not satisfied with the outcome, you may wish to contact IPSO, Gate House, 1 Farringdon Street, London EC4M 7LG
Website: www.ipso.co.uk. Tel: 0300 123 2220.
E-Mail: complaints@ipso.co.uk.
Enquiries: inquiries@ipso.co.uk.

Cowbridge man is new Royal Welsh Show president

ON March 4 at the Lesser Hall, Cowbridge, the Glamorgan Advisory Committee for the Royal Welsh Show elected their president elect for the Feature County in 2021.

Johnny Homfray and wife Jo.

The spring meeting brought the opportunity to vote for the forthcoming term with several candidates proposed and Johnny Homfray of Penllyn Estate was elected to take up the prestigious post.

Johnny said: "To be nominated by your peers to be president elect of the Royal Welsh Show is the greatest honour a farmer could receive, and as I hope to be handing our business to our sons in 2020-2021, it is becoming rather exciting!"

Johnny Homfray joins a strong team with Kathy Bowdler-Atkin as chairperson and treasurer, Abi Reader, the vice chairman who is heavily involved with 'Cows on Tour' and NFU Cymru, and Charlotte Thomas as honorary secretary.

If you are interested in supporting or joining members for an event, follow Facebook page 'Glamorgan RWAS Feature County 2021' or email glamorganrwas@gmail.com.

Cowbridge and District Flower Arrangers

A NAFAS demonstrator and winner of Chelsea Flower Show, Elizabeth Gordon, attended the last meeting of Cowbridge and District Flower Arrangers.

A delighted Lyn Read, club treasurer, won a fabulous spring arrangement. The members were in awe of Elizabeth's knowledge of plant material and mechanics, and she inspired the club with her knowledge and humour. The evening was enjoyed by a host of members and guests who filled the Lesser Hall, making it a memorable evening.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, April 3 starting at 7.30pm, in the Lesser Hall. New members are always welcome.

JMS

Pupils enjoyed their snow day at Ysgol Y Bont Faen.

Winter wonderland at Y Bont Faen

WHAT a surprise to open the curtains and see nothing but white as snow fell in Cowbridge on January 31!

Some children were a little sad when they had to go to school, but actually it turned into a really fun day as the whole school took to the playing fields to build snowmen and make snow angels

Written by Elinor H

Y Bont Faen are working towards their Cymraeg Campus bronze award, which is part of the charter specifically created to develop Welsh in English medium schools.

On February 14, children from Y Bont Faen Primary School visited Iolo Morganwg Primary School to take part in Welsh language activities across a number of subjects.

Year 5 went to the shared multi-sports area where children from Iolo taught lots of different words in Welsh, such as 'pass' and 'throw'. Year 6 children took part in reading and speaking activities.

Year 3 children from Iolo then visited Y Bont Faen to learn coding from the school's digital leaders.

We are looking forward to our next Cymraeg Campus challenge!

Written by Luke B and Isabella P

Chance to take part in patient satisfaction survey

CARDIFF and Vale Community Health Council (the patients' statutory representative in Wales) is collecting views about the Western Vale Family Practice, prior to their visit to Cowbridge Health Centre on April 4.

This is a chance to give feedback about Western Vale Family Practice. If patients would like to take part, please complete the survey online at https://tas.survey-me.com/take-a-survey/bnu1r.

Hard copies of the survey are also available in the Practice. The survey must be completed by March 24.

For further information, visit Western Vale Family Practice's website www.cowbridgedoctors.com.

For all the latest news from your area - glamorgan-gem.co.uk

COMMUNITY NEWS

TREOES, LLANGAN & ST MARY HILL

News and views from Nancy Davidge, Tynewydd, Llangan. 01656 860303.

News from Llangan School

THERE was an air of excitement at the school on March 6 when the NSPCC arrived to collect the sponsorship money from the school's Obstacle Course event last term.

The school managed to raise £687.52 in total.

Congratulations to Gower, who were the winning House for the school's eisteddfod competition this year, and to Elis for being chaired Bard with his winning poem 'My Welsh Playlist'.

opening not closing branches

SWANSEA BUILDING SOCIETY

www.swansea-bs.co.uk

Interest rates effective from 1 October, 2018

Range of Savings Accounts

Account Name	Minimum Account Opening Balance	Minimum Account Operating Balance	Annual Interest GROSS/AER *
Personal Premier	£1	£1	1.25%
Regular Saver	£25 - £500 per calendar month	£25 - £500 per calendar month	GROSS = 2.75% AER = 2.78%
90 Day Notice	£5,000	£1	1.35%
Cash ISA	£1	£1	1.35%
Cash JISA	£1	£1	2.25%
Young Saver	£1	£1	GROSS = 2.25% AER = 2.26%
First Adult Saver (For customers aged 18-30)	£1	£1	GROSS = 1.50% AER = 1.51%

(Please note the Swans Premier Account no longer exists and all existing accounts have been transferred to the Personal Premier Account)

These **INTEREST RATES** are variable. They may be amended in response to changing economic conditions or as required in the interests of financial expediency and the prudent management of the Society.

If you require details of the current interest rate payable on your account please contact the Society on (01792) 739100 or call in to one of the Society's branch offices across South Wales where staff will provide this information to you.

COWBRIDGE BRANCH **01446 506000**

75 High Street Cowbridge CF71 7AF

fscs Protected

* **GROSS** The Gross rate is the contractual rate of interest before the deduction of income tax.
* **AER** Stands for Annual Equivalent Rate and illustrates what the interest rate would be if interest was paid and added each year.

Swansea Building Society is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Financial Services Register Number: 206066

LOCAL VALE LAW FIRM WINS TOP UK AWARD 'SUCCESS STARTS WITH A GREAT TEAM'

Catherine Hartland & Alexandra Jenkins

Local Barry Law firm attended the prestigious Modern Law Awards in Manchester on Thursday 31January 2019 and were the only law firm from Wales to reach the finals, the only law firm to be finalists in more than 2 awards, and the only law firm to come away with three awards.

Catherine Hartland won Managing Partner of the Year UK

The Firm were runners up in UK: Law Firm of the Year and Business Growth Award UK

The Firm is No 1 in Wales for Trust Pilot reviews

TRUSTPILOT ★★★★★ *"Excellent"*

Catherine Hartland says: *'the firm is only as good as the team it employs, and here at Newbold we believe we have a great team'.*

NewBoldSolicitors

www.newboldsolicitors.com

01446 700693

Ystradowen WI learn about Atlantic College

THE speaker at the March meeting was Laura Jenkins, the granddaughter of one of Ystradowen WI's members.

Laura is a teacher and house-mother at Atlantic College, one of the United World Colleges (UWC).

The college, founded in 1962, caters for all cultures and languages and Laura brought along four students who in turn talked about their experiences and the advantages of learning with such a diverse international group of students, and how unlikely friendships are quickly formed.

The talk was extremely well presented and gave everyone an understanding of Atlantic College.

Following the talk, the usual business matters were discussed with forthcoming social events, including the eagerly awaited outing to see *Calendar Girls*. Dates were also set for the monthly walks and coffee mornings.

Our next meeting is on April 3 and everyone is most welcome to join the group. They meet on the first Wednesday each month in Ystradowen village hall at 7.30pm.

SS

Tory 'revolt' as budget is finally passed by the Vale Council

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The source added: "The group wants significant change and they were furious that he went to Labour for a budget deal instead of sorting things out face to face within the group."

The budget was passed at an extraordinary meeting of the council last week after the Conservative administration's original proposals were voted down by four of its own councillors along with Labour and Plaid Cymru the week before.

The four councillors who originally voted against the budget – Vincent Bailey, George Carroll, Janice Charles and former Welsh Conservative leader Andrew RT Davies – were swelled in their ranks, with as many as 11 Conservatives abstaining on voting for the amended budget.

A statement on behalf of the four councillors said: "As councillors, our duties first and foremost are to our constituents – and we simply weren't satisfied that council tax payers were getting value for money out of the proposed increase.

"We had concerns about a range of issues including council tax, car parking and the closure of Llancarfan School and that's why we took the difficult decision to oppose the budget, meaning that it did not pass.

"In the discussions that followed, further measures were agreed, including extra funding for the 95A/B bus services, while proposed on street car parking charges in the Vale were scrapped.

"We welcome these changes, which will bring huge benefits to our communities, but our concerns over other issues, including council tax levels, remained.

"We therefore decided to abstain when the revised proposals were brought before full council and were joined in doing so by a large number of colleagues."

Cllr Gordon Kemp, cabinet member for social care, health and leisure, voted for the budget in the first meeting on February 27. He abstained on voting for the Labour-amended budget, before supporting the council tax rise in a separate vote once the budget had been agreed.

He said: "I was not happy that what we were voting for was not a wholly-Conservative budget. It was being influenced by Labour. When it came to vote on the council tax I supported it. It's never pleasant having to raise council tax, but we are where we are. We're not a well-funded authority so we have to cut our cloth accordingly.

"(The vote) shows that there has to be engagement with the Conservative group. Whether there could have been more of that, I don't know."

Labour say they're confident proposals which would have seen on-street parking brought to towns in the Vale have been dropped following talks with council leader John Thomas. They also negotiated an additional £100,000 to protect the 95A and B and X91 bus services and funding for a community project at St Paul's Church in Penarth. Labour also demanded a fund to refurbish Victorian schools throughout the Vale in return for their support for the budget, along with a review of LED replacements of non-standard lights in Penarth.

Cllr Neil Moore, Labour Leader in the Vale, said the Conservatives are in "total disarray".

He said: "It's absurd what's happening with them. They seem to have absolutely no control or discipline within the group. Clearly they can't talk to each other because that wouldn't happen in our group. What I found disgraceful was that some don't realise as a councillor we have a responsibility to set a legal budget. To me it seems like half the group don't care about that responsibility. There's too much politics going on.

"They are in total disarray. How long it will last, I don't know."

Plaid Cymru, which voted against the budget, said it was "anti-democratic and non-transparent" for the councillors to abstain from the vote without explaining why in the council chamber.

Cllr Ian Johnson, Plaid Cymru Leader on the Vale Council, said: "Plaid Cymru voted against the budget because the council tax was too high on residents, many of whom are already struggling with price increases.

"It was no surprise to watch Labour propping up the Conservative budget. They regularly vote together on important issues – including voting for the Barry Docks incinerator and for the 10,000 house Local Development Plan. There is little difference between them locally.

"It was disappointing that councillors were abstaining without explaining their decisions. That is anti-democratic and non-transparent. If they were proud of their actions, they would stand up and explain them in the chamber."

Cllr Thomas said he had a "grown up conversation" with Labour to get the budget through after it became apparent he could not rely on the support of his whole party in the meeting last Wednesday.

He said concerns over council tax had never been mentioned in the group meeting.

"To think you can carry on providing the services that people want with ever reducing settlements from Welsh Government without putting council tax up is just naive," he said.

Cllr Thomas said it was "a bit strong" to call the administration's decisions "PR blunders," and said the council has to make tough decisions and "it's not always possible to make good PR out of those".

He said: "We have group meetings on decisions. There's usually a difference of opinion and not everyone will get their own way. That's the nature of the game. It would have been irresponsible to go to that meeting without being sure we could get the budget through.

"We have consistently been the best performing council in Wales. That's alongside reductions in funding and some of the lowest council tax increases over the last few years as well.

"I hope we can all pull together and get behind the administration. It's not ideal the way things have panned out. Hopefully, we will have group discussions and get back on track. I'm sure for most of the councillors who voted against me, we will come to an agreement on a way forward.

"All I've ever wanted to do is the best I can for the council and residents in the Vale and I stand behind that."

Matt Discombe, local democracy reporter.

For more on this subject see Cllr Thomas' column on page 24.

INSTALL
Integrated Skips LTD
We will not be beaten on any written quotation for the Barry area.

- All sizes available
- Delivered & Collected
- Waste Collection Service
- Free surveys and estimates
- Labour hire to load your skip
- Grab hire & Plant hire
- 95% of our waste is recycled
- Domestic & Commercial
- Council/highway permits arranged
- Roll On Roll Off 15-50 Yards

MINI MIDI MAXI XL MAXI

Unit 12F, Atlantic Trading Estate, Barry CF63 3RF. Tel: 01446 421072
Email: installskips@hotmail.com
Waste Carrier Number CB/LE5004GH

Follow us on Facebook - facebook.com/GlamorganGEM and on Twitter - @gem_news/@GEMSportsNews

Independent Hearing Aid Centre & Earwax Removal Clinic
SCOTTWROE Hearing Centre
Established since 1988
We provide a truly personal service, a competitive pricing structure and comprehensive aftercare.
For advice on every leading brand and model, from a leading independent family practice.
Scott Wroe and Jonathan Beeks offer appointments and consultations throughout the week so you have peace of mind knowing that if any problems arise we are here to help; we have the time and expertise to ensure you get the very best results from your hearing aid.

FULLY EQUIPPED MICROSUCTION EARWAX REMOVAL CLINIC
If you would like more information or would like to arrange an appointment, please contact us on:
02920 707760
www.scottwroe-hearingcentre.co.uk
10 Royal Buildings, Penarth, CF64 3ED.

Clearance Event
HUGE REDUCTIONS
100s OF STOCK ITEMS STILL REMAIN & MUST BE CLEARED
First come first served!!
EVERYTHING MUST GO!
while stocks last
CLEARANCE EVENT ENDS SUNDAY
HURRY! First come first served TODAY & THIS WEEKEND!
PACKAGE DEAL Alison 3 & 2 Seater sofas Sale Price £899.99

fw Homestores
Sofas . Dining . Beds . Bedroom . Accessories
Unit 5, Freemans Park, Penarth Road, Cardiff, CF11 8TU.
Tel: 02920 371970
Open 7 Days
www.fwhomestores.co.uk

Applications for Rural Community Fund now open

RURAL community projects in the Vale could be eligible to receive grants of up to £5,000 from home energy provider Calor.

The Calor Rural Community Fund – now in its third year – aims to reward deserving community projects with prize pots ranging from £1,000 to £5,000. This year's scheme is bigger and better than ever before, with Calor giving away 21 grants totalling a staggering £70,000. The number of £5,000 donations has also been doubled from last year, with a total of 10 up for grabs.

Rural communities off the mains gas grid can submit their projects for funding, with previous winners including playground and village hall refurbishments, instruments for music banks and equipment for sports clubs. Now, Calor is encouraging anyone who thinks their project may be eligible to come forward and submit an application for consideration to this year's fund.

The projects that receive the most votes by the public will be shortlisted and then reviewed by a panel of judges, who will select the final 21 winners. Partnering with Crowdfunder for 2019, Calor also is pledging £2,000 worth of match funding to approved entries that use the fundraising platform to raise donations for their community project.

Jason Nuttall, head of funding for Crowdfunder, said: "We're really excited to be partnering with the Calor Rural Community Fund. The match funding will give so many projects that extra boost toward meeting their goals and it's great to be a part of a scheme that is making such a difference to so many rural communities across the UK."

To find out how you can take part, visit www.calor.co.uk/communityfund.

AS

Pancake day at Mothers' Union

THIS month's meeting of Colwinston, Llandow and Llysworney Mothers' Union was on Shrove Tuesday and it was held in a member's home in Colwinston.

Penny Snowden, our parish lay reader, led us in a short service; then Kath Jones cooked pancakes for us all to enjoy.

After a game of unusual Pass the Parcel combined with quiz questions, Dilys Newman, a member for over 30 years was presented with a card and an orchid to celebrate her 90th birthday this week.

The new programme for the year ahead was distributed and the next meeting will be in Llandow village hall at 7.30pm on April 2. This will take the form of a Lent Reflection.

KJ

WI learn about secret heroes of the space race

ON March 7, St Nicholas WI president Janet Hayes welcomed members to a cinema evening, and the film shown was *Hidden Figures* about three remarkable black women who worked for the NASA space agency in the early 1960s.

The story was about how these mathematical geniuses helped NASA put the first men in space in a time of segregation, and the hardship they overcame not just being black, but also women.

The members enjoyed popcorn and ice cream, the raffle was won by Wendy Lowe and the monthly competition by Lis Fearson.

Thank you Rosemary and Viv, for organising an enjoyable evening and thanks to Paul Fisher for setting up the equipment for the film.

At the meeting on Thursday, April 4, we will welcome Clare Revera who will give us a demonstration on basket weaving. New members welcome, meeting starts at 7pm in the Reading room, Bonvilston.

VH

Miss De-Vyliers aims to be a 'force in fashion'

ADVERTORIAL

OUR mission is to provide stylish clothing at affordable prices for all women, says founder Louise De-Vyliers.

Miss De-Vyliers offers excellent value for money, top quality materials and superb outfits, and will be showing a selection at a show on March 21 (*see advert right*).

Louise said: "Before launching my life's dream, my own boutique, I had a varied range of experiences and in December 2017 Miss De-Vyliers was finally born.

"Our first shop in Pontyclun has transformed the lives of many and livened up the high street.

"We are community driven, providing employment for local talent and supporting local charities, especially 'Bosom Pals' who we are supporting at our next show.

"We sell a wide range of chic clothing and jewellery offering excellent style and value for money.

"We will be offering our own range of designs including ethically sourced clothing and are committed to ongoing green projects and innovative products; this includes partnering with the local university to ensure the best of South Wales fashion talent is captured.

"Our approach is people-centric and collaborative.

"We are building our brand to become a UK-wide force in fashion with at least 10 shops and our fantastic on-line service.

"We are always looking for great people whether to join us in our expansion programme or sell our products.

"It is my passion and vision through Miss De-Vyliers to bring sophistication and style to the many but at affordable prices.

"We would love to see you at our show. See our website www.missdevyliers.com

"We look forward to serving you and adding that little something to your every day."

MISS DE-VYLIERS
The Spring Collection
To celebrate the launch of the Spring Collection at *Miss De-Vyliers*, Join us at Lanelay Hall.
Thursday 21st March
6pm - 9.30pm
With prosecco on arrival, a fashion show, view the new collection, meet the team and opportunities to purchase .
Tickets £5
Available online, pay on the night or call into our Boutique:
16 Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun
ALL PROCEEDS TO LOCAL CHARITIES
BOOK: wwwbit.ly/MDV210319
or Contact Louise 07814 022483
Lady Mary Cole Hall
Lanelay Hall Hotel
Lanelay Lane
Pontyclun CF72 9LA
THE ULTIMATE IN CHIC

Always Wanted Beautiful Straight Teeth?
Get straight teeth quickly and discretely with Invisalign®, the clear alternative to metal braces.
• Invisalign Clear Aligners
• Tooth Whitening
• Dental Implants
• Anti Wrinkle injections
• Dermal & Lip Fillers
• Cosmetic & General Dentistry

Denplan from Simplyhealth Professionals
Monthly Payment Plans available
invisalign®
EAST STREET
DEINTYDDFA · DENTAL CENTRE
4a Barons Close House, East Street,
Llantwit Major, CF61 1XY 01446 792323
follow us on

A unique museum - and it is here in the Vale

Hunter Tornado Phantom.

Jet Provost.

COLLECTING things is a bit of, well, a male occupation, *writes ANDY JOHNSTONE*.

Be it duelling scars (admittedly not so common these days), loco numbers, or stamps, it is us chaps who tend to collect.

Take Gary Spoors and John Sparks, for example.

Long careers in the Royal Air Force and Royal Navy, and successful second careers with the businesses GJD Services and Horizon Aircraft at the Aerospace Wales Business Park, Picketston and at other sites in the UK have allowed them to indulge in their collective collecting speciality: aircraft.

"I like VC10s," said Mr Spoors, whose father was based at RAF St Athan, as was he some years later, "I have three of them."

A moment of silence ensued as I mentally counted my collecting haul (10 copies of *Three Men in a Boat*, nine of *The Art of War*, and six copies of *Out of Africa*.

Aircraft tend to be rather large. In fact, even a WWII-era Spit or Hurri is considerably larger than one might assume. It is the "small. far away"

effect.

Forward a generation to a Cold War Phantom or Tornado, and they are large aircraft, and so having space, say a couple of hangars here and there, is not only

Students working on a tail.

practical, but also a necessity.

Not everyone can own their own aircraft, let alone a squadron of myriad types both military and civil, fixed and rotary winged, airliner and fighter, and so Messrs Sparks and Spoors decided to create an aero museum, here, in the Vale, in St Athan, and it will be unlike anything else in Wales or the UK.

Their combined enthusiasm is palpable, infectious.

"It won't just be a museum," begins Mr Spoors, "but also a place to learn, to study, to have the kind of hands-on practical training in aircraft

engineering and maintenance that is in short supply these days."

As if on cue, two young students - Danny Banga and Morgan Nicholls - of the University of South Wales arrive.

Both reading Aircraft Maintenance and Engineering, they travel to GJD Services' Hangar 872 when they can to get their hands dirty, to get to grips with, in a literal sense, the nuts and bolts of aircraft.

Mr Nicholls, who had his head in the exhaust outlet of a Jet Provost when we met, said: "Coming here gives us the sort of experience we can't get anywhere else.

Mr Banga agreed saying: "It backs up and brings to life the theoretical side of our studies, and we're so pleased we can come here to do it."

South Wales Air Museum (SWAM) is due to open over the Easter weekend.

"It's a work in progress," said Mr Sparks, "and probably always will be.

"We have so many plans, so many aircraft [I am sworn to secrecy about one], such a vision for this place."

Mr Sparks has another business – Horizon Aircraft Services, which specialises in restoring and flying ex-military jet and piston aircraft along with a flying school teaching people how to fly – on the airfield.

While collecting might be a peculiarly male preserve, SWAM will be anything but.

"What we will achieve here meshes perfectly with the renewed interest - for males AND females of any age - in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, from primary-age children to college and university, and apprenticeships of all ages," said Mr Spoors.

Perhaps echoing Ignatius of Loyola, he continued, saying: "If we – working with schools, working with UK and Wales governments, working with industry, colleges and universities –-can get a child, be it a boy or a girl, interested in aircraft and engineering at 10 years old, then they'll want to do it for life.

"Even if it's only one or two children out of each class of 30 that gets that spark, then the tradition and excellence of world-leading engineering and science in the UK - including right here in the Vale and Bridgend - which has never gone away, is assured."

To use a couple of modish terms, the inclusivity envisioned at SWAM does not begin and end with gender.

"We're going to go above and beyond what is required to make sure disabled adults and children can have the same experience as everyone else," said Mr Sparks.

He described the plan to have a Boeing 747 cockpit, cut from the aircraft, put on the ground with a ramp onto the flight deck so that a wheelchair user or less-ambulant person can still access the controls. An elevating platform beneath will be able to raise a person in a wheelchair into the flight deck to give them the same hands-on experience.

Other exhibits - in addition to the Jet Provost - include a two-seater Hawker Hunter, a couple of Fairey Gannets, a Sea King, a de Havilland Dove, a Vampire, the famous Panavia Tornado GR1 ZA326 in "raspberry ripple" colour scheme, and Black Mike.

Black Mike ("She should be painted in grey," said Mr Spoors) is a record-breaking Phantom XV582.

Her claim to fame is that, 30 years ago this April 1, she set the fastest time for the 590-mile Lands End to John O'Groats Run, which she covered 46 minutes and 44 seconds.

That is an average speed of over 757 mph, and a record she still holds.

Future additions to the SWAM collection will include a Canberra, a Meteor, a Shackleton, a Buccaneer, a Venom, a Jaguar, and one of those VC10s, and lots, lots more.

"We might also like to get a Vulcan here," said Mr Sparks.

The museum, over time, will add a shop and a cafe, and visitors will be able to get up close to all the exhibits, and view them from above from a gallery.

SEE NEXT WEEK FOR MORE ON THE MUSEUM

Pamper evening

LLANTWIT Major Comprehensive PTA are hosting their annual Pamper & Prosecco evening in the main hall on Friday, March 22. This year they have six pamper providers and 10 gift stalls. Snacks, cakes and a bar will be available.

Treat yourself, pick up a gift for Mother's Day or simply relax and catch up with friends. All money raised will go towards helping pupils at the school. Tickets available from Sunkissed in Llantwit Major, the school front desk or PTA members.

Vale villagers are shocked at six-week road closure

LOCAL residents are up in arms after the Vale Council announced that the access road from the A48 to their village would be closed for six weeks.

The road closure is due to start on April 1, and villagers at Peterston-super-Ely were shocked at the news, and recently held a meeting with Vale MP Alun Cairns, housing developer Acorn, the road-works contractor Walters and County Councillor Michael Morgan.

The closure will be in place to widen the road at Sycamore Cross, improving access to the new housing development. However, locals are challenging the Vale Council on why the road is needed at all and argue that the community has not been consulted.

There is already an action group in the village, Vale Communities for Future Generations (VCFFG), which was set up to oppose plans for a new road link from the M4 to the A48 through the Ely Valley.

The group is equally angry about this new plan.

Local resident Gareth Hardman raised the matter with Mr Cairns. Mr Hardman said, "The impact of a six-week total road closure at Sycamore Cross, of what is a vital road route to and from Peterston-super-Ely and the wider area, is causing real anger in the community.

"Concerns have been raised over the inevitable road chaos this will lead to, over the delays in getting students to school, over real fears about access by emergency services.

"The Vale Council has failed to explain why a wholly disproportionate road improvement is needed to service the needs of a relatively small new housing development. We are calling for an urgent review before this road closure starts on April 1 - with all the inevitable chaos this will create."

A resident who is also a GP commented, "It will impact on us getting to work, getting to housebound patients and also on patients getting to us. Ambulance calls get allocated on the closest available crew, so there is potential impact on ambulance times. The traffic at Cowbridge cross roads coming from the comp already gets tailbacks. Diverting traffic through Welsh St Donats will make that significantly worse."

Much has also been made about the impact on pupils at the local primary school.

One school employee commented, "This road closure will have a huge impact on local traffic. There are over 30 staff/parents using this road just to get to Peterston primary school. The surrounding lanes will be heavily congested. I live in Barry and work at the school and have had to contend with the Five Mile Lane being closed for 12 weeks, which has not been easy."

Alun Cairns said, "I recognise that that residents want answers from the council on why this work is necessary. Any work that is taking place clearly needs to happen in a way that ensures that disruption is kept to an absolute minimum. I want to thank everyone who attended the meeting, including Acorn and Walters who were really helpful."

The VCFFG action group, however, suspect that the new road may be linked to the proposed M4 to A48 link road. A spokeswoman described it as "entirely disproportionate to the needs of the development and in excess of that requested by the developers in their original planning request."

A Vale Council spokesman said: "These road improvements will help reduce congestion and the existing passing problems experienced by traffic along this narrow section of road.

"Due to the narrow width of the existing road, a road closure is required to ensure the safety of both the public and those undertaking the work. Every effort will be made to keep the length of this closure to an absolute minimum to reduce inconvenience and disruption.

"Following the road closure period, the construction works will continue with traffic management in place to maintain the existing single lane 'give/take' passing arrangements for a further 20 weeks.

"The right hand turn lane from the westbound carriage way of the A48 at Sycamore Cross will also be temporarily affected.

"Traffic diversions will be in place throughout.

"The start date of the closure is being coordinated to begin only after the nearby the Five Mile Lane has reopened fully. This is currently expected to be early in April."

Local school unites with Dementia Friendly group

OVER the past few months, Cowbridge Comprehensive School has strengthened links with the local Dementia Friendly Cowbridge (DFC) committee.

On November 15, four pupils attended a DFC committee meeting. Here, the pupils explored the best way to contribute. Recently, Cowbridge Comprehensive School has taken the next step and signed up to be a Dementia Business Friend.

This commits the school community to making a positive difference in supporting dementia friendly awareness, practices and projects in respect of local residents living with dementia.

To mark this new link, Cowbridge Comprehensive School were presented with a Dementia Friendly mat on March 7. The mat has been given pride of place in the school's reception area.

The presentation was attended by Steven Blackman (chair of DFC) and Rev Heather Weddell along with all student committee members, Mr Ling and Mrs Taylor John. As a school, we are very grateful and honoured to be able to display that we are dementia friendly.

To date Cowbridge Comprehensive, students have held a Christmas concert which welcomed people with dementia in the community.

The concert incorporated carol singing due to research carried out by deputy head girl, Emily Jenkins, who discovered that actively participating in music boosts neurological functioning in patients with dementia.

It was a pleasure to be involved and was enjoyed by all.

Cowbridge students are currently organising PSE dementia awareness sessions and a logo competition to further contribute to DFC.

Students who are part of the DFC school committee include: Emily Jenkins, Maya Williams, Eve Bird, Megan Austin, Daniel Baxter, Layla Cotterell, Sophie Hawkins and Grace Marshall.

Report by Grace Marshall.

'Campaign continues to receive overwhelming support for old school site'

THE campaign against Hafod Housing's plans for the old sixth form site on Aberthin Road continues to attract overwhelming support and gather momentum.

The petition of objection against the development was submitted to the Vale Council's planning department on March 5, at which point it had been signed by 2,274 residents, workers and visitors to Cowbridge.

The petition was focused on four key areas: the number of units being proposed, which was far higher than the number allocated within the council's own Local Development Plan (LDP); the scale and character of the proposed buildings; the inadequate parking provision, and the complete destruction of the historic building, along with a mature yew tree.

As reported in the most recent Town Council update, the building has been recommended for County Treasure status (a view supported by the Town Council and Cowbridge History Society) and the yew tree for a Tree Protection Order.

However, at the time of writing, it is reported that a decision has not been made on the outcome of either of these recommendations.

A public meeting is being organised for later this month when a full update on the planning application will be given, alongside the opportunity for residents to voice their views and learn more about the campaign. The petition remains open so those who have not yet signed but wish to do so can sign at the public meeting or sign online by searching 'Aberthin' on Change.org.

Sara Pedersen

PROMEC LANDROVER
Independent Landrover Specialist

Independent Land Rover and 4x4 Specialist

Do you have a Land Rover Defender/Evoque Freelander/Discovery/Range Rover/Sport and fed up with main dealer prices?

Let our expert team look after your Land Rover at a fraction of main dealer costs!

We have 30 years experience in the Land Rover range:
- *Recovery Available • Courtesy car available*
- *Fixed price service • Computer diagnostic*
- *Repairs/Brakes/Suspension etc • MOTs • Power upgrades*

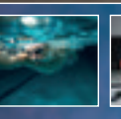
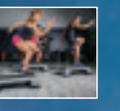
Call Ian on 02920 890567

Llwynmilwas Workshop. Groes Faen, Llantrisant CF72 8NS.
www.promeclandrover.co.uk

3 WEEK TRIAL MEMBERSHIP | ONLY £35

In just 3 weeks you'll see and feel the difference in your health and total well-being and, as you can 'try before you buy,' what have you got to lose?

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE
- No contract
- 20m heated pool
- Resistance equipment
- Wattbikes
- Skill Mills
- Free weights equipment
- HIIT ZONE area plus classes
- Fitness studios with 90+ classes per week
- Children's Yoga (from age 5+)
- Keiser Bike Studio
- Squash/Tennis/5-a-side
- Outdoor marquee with functional equipment
- Whirlpool bath, Sauna & Steam Room
- Crèche† & Day nursery†
- Junior activities
- Wales' largest spa†
- Bar and restaurant

01443 627777 | memberships@valeresort.com

Vale Resort, Hensol Park, Hensol, Vale of Glamorgan, CF72 8JY

*Terms & conditions apply. Trial not available to anyone who has been a member or done a trial with us in the last 2 years. £15 for children under age of 18. *Minimum boot size applies. †Additional cost. Offer ends 30th April 2019.

Vale RESORT ★★★★
GD339

Join the Parkrun fun!

THIS weekend is the 200th Barry Island Parkrun, which as a keen runner I am really looking forward to.

I remember when the Barry Island Parkrun was first set up back in 2015, and I was pleased to work with the organisers on the proposed route for the run. Almost four years later, I'm continually impressed with the fantastic crowds it attracts, with runners of all abilities welcome to take part.

I'd like to pay tribute to the brilliant and dedicated Parkrun organisers we have in Barry, who have worked hard to make a huge success of it and keep it fun for everyone. Last year, we had the first 'Gavin and Stacey' Parkrun, which saw Barry join forces with runners all the way from Billericay – including the Mayor of Basildon!

Hundreds took part that day and I'm really pleased that our Parkrun provided another platform to attract new people to Barry Island, showing off our fantastic beaches, beautiful promenade and fun activities for all ages.

In the Vale, we're fortunate to have a number of excellent running groups, such as the Major Milers in Llantwit Major and Seriously Mad Runners in Barry and the Parkrun provides a great platform for their members to complete a 5k run with other running enthusiasts.

Welsh Secretary
ALUN CAIRNS
reports to GEM readers

The run will also help with my training ahead of the London Marathon, which I am running at the end of April. My Marathon Fundraising Campaign has been officially launched today and you can find details on my website and social media about how to donate to my two charities, the Dementia Revolution and Guide Dogs.

So this weekend, whether you run regularly or have never tried before, I'd love to see you get involved at the 200th Barry Island Parkrun. It is great fun and a good way to keep fit and healthy. I look forward to seeing a big crowd on Saturday!

Opportunity knocks for a young star to shine!

YOUNG musical performers in the Vale can apply to take part in a talent show at St Cyres School with the winner going on to perform at GlastonBARRY Juniors' 6,000 capacity 'Big Top' in Romilly Park.

Bro Radio has teamed up with Mack Events to find that special youngster. 'A search for a star' is looking for talented local school children aged seven to 11. They will take part in auditions and a shortlist of performers will take to the stage at a final on Saturday, June 22 at St Cyres School, Penarth.

The winner will open GlastonBARRY Juniors, a family festival with tributes to Rihanna, Little Mix and Ed Sheeran, which takes place at Romilly Park, Barry on Friday, July 26. Entries have to be submitted by teachers in the Vale and competitors have to have the permission of parents or guardians.

Applications can be made online at broradio.fm/onair/search-for-a-star.

TC

Care sector faces a 'crisis in recruitment'

INCREASING the pay of social care workers in the Vale is vital to help solve the recruitment crisis in the sector, the chair of Care Forum Wales has said.

The plea from Mario Kreft comes after a campaign was launched to attract another 20,000 social care workers in Wales over the next 10 years.

Mr Kreft said the problem was that the funding formulas of local councils and health boards were predicated on paying low wages to staff and that must change.

He has welcomed the 'WeCare.Wales' campaign which was unveiled by Social Care Wales and other care sector organisations, but warned more money was needed to provide "decent wages".

The number of elderly people over the age of 80 is predicted to increase by 44 per cent in Wales by 2030. There are around 113,000 people in the social care sector, but more are needed to cope with increasing need.

Mr Kreft said a proposed social care tax would not provide the complete answer. He said: "We are aware that some care workers in the Vale and Bridgend, like other areas in Wales, are low paid. To its great credit, Welsh Government has recently recognised social care as one of the four foundations of the economy, one which pumps £2.2 billion per year into the Welsh economy.

"Social care workers in Wales deserve a better deal. The deal they've got is not good enough to sustain the numbers that we're going to need in the future.

"Local authorities and health boards in Wales actually predicate that more than half of the staff in a care home are on the National Living Wage. When you get a qualified highly-skilled care practitioner, they have to be able to sustain a standard of living commensurate with the level of responsibility they have. These are people who have been overlooked."

Sue Evans, the chief executive of Social Care Wales, said: "In Wales, around 90,000 people work in social care, while 23,000 work in early years and childcare. However, we still need more people if we are going to meet the needs and expectations of society over the next 10 years.

"The 'WeCare' campaign has been developed to attract the right people to support some of the most vulnerable members in our communities or help inspire the next generation."

A spokesman for the Vale Council said it had recently agreed a pay increase for staff across the board with the lowest paid workers in particular benefiting.

He said: "From April, they will earn a minimum rate of £9.18 per hour. The new level is higher than the national minimum rate and also exceeds the independently-set Foundation Living Wage.

"We recognise that our greatest asset is our workforce. Our pay is competitive and in many cases staff rise through pay salary bands during early years of service.

"Staff also benefit from the opportunity to join the local government pension scheme, extensive development opportunities and our employee assistance programme which offers emotional and practical support for issues at work and at home.

"From April, they will earn a minimum rate of £9.18 per hour, with hourly wages increasing by £1.28. The new level is £1.35 higher than the national minimum rate and also exceeds the Foundation Living Wage.

A Welsh Government spokeswoman said it was committed to raising the status and profile of social care so it was seen as a positive career choice.

She said: "We have already taken steps to support the sustainability of the workforce. We recognise pressures the sector faces in Wales and are providing an additional £50 million in 2019-20 to help meet the growing demand for care and support services, £30 million of which will focus on workforce pressures and the wider sustainability of services."

TC

Celebrating International Women's Day with Atal y Fro

ATAL y Fro were welcomed to Barry Town Council by Mayor Cllr Janice Charles and Jane Hutt AM on International Women's Day recently.

Ms Hutt said: "On a day of activities throughout the world to mark International Women's Day, it was great to join the event at the Mayor's Parlour welcoming Atal y Fro and recommitting ourselves to tackle the ongoing scourge of violence against women.

"We were encouraged to name the women who inspired us and the late Ursula Masson, the founder of the Welsh Women's Archive, who I honoured at a ceremony in Merthyr Tydfil later in the day was my name for IWD."

Jane Hutt with Mayor of Barry Town Council, Cllr Janice Charles, Helen Jones, staff and volunteers of Atal y Fro and members of Barry and District Soroptimists.

Need advice on applying for charity funding?

GLAMORGAN Voluntary Services (GVS) is offering a free funding information service.

Its purpose is to provide funding information and assistance tailored to the specific needs of any local group.

Many groups have been supported to obtain funding to enable them to provide vital services and resources that have improved the lives of beneficiaries. Over £18,000,000 has been raised by groups in the Vale through the support provided by GVS.

For further details about GVS contact 01446 741706/enquiries@gvs.wales.

GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG (LLWYBR CYHOEDDUS Y B0ARRI Rhif 31 a 73) (CAU DROS DRO) 2019

Ar 14 Mawrth 2019, gwnaeth Cyngor Bro Morgannwg wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adran 14 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 Orchymyn fel a ddisgrifir yn yr atodlenni isod:

Daw'r Gorchymyn i rym ar 1 Ebrill 2019 ac fe'i gelwir yn "Gorchymyn Cyngor Bro Morgannwg (Llwybr Cyhoeddus y Barri Rhifau 31 a 73) (Cau Dros Dro) 2019.

Os ydych am gwestiynu dilysrwydd y Gorchymyn neu'r darpariaethau ynddo ar y sail nad ydynt yn unol â'r pwerau a ddyfarnwyd gan y Ddeddf uchod neu ar y sail na chydymffurfiwyd ag unrhyw un o ofynion y Ddeddf, neu unrhyw offeryn a wnaed dan y Ddeddf mewn perthynas â'r Gorchymyn, gallwch, o fewn chwe wythnos o 1 Ebrill 2019, wneud cais i'r Uchel Lys at y diben hwn.

ATODLEN 1

1. Ni chaiff unrhyw un gerdded ar y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 2 isod.

ATODLEN 2

Lleoliad 1 Bydd y llwybr troed (Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus) a elwir y Barri Rhif 73 ar gau o bwynt 35 metr o'r gyffordd â Clos Cwm y Barri i'r de-orllewin i ben y llwybr troed.

Ffordd Amgen Yn ystod y cyfnod hwn ni fydd gwyriad ond bydd mynediad i'r cae.

Lleoliad 2 Bydd y llwybr troed (Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus) a elwir y Barri Rhif 31 ar gau o'r pwynt lle mae'n cwrdd â Ffordd Fynediad yr Orsaf Bwmpio am 200 metr i'r de-orllewin.

Ffordd Amgen Bydd gwyriad trwy Salisbury Road, Oxford Street, Fishponds Hill a Llwybr Troed Rhif 32.

Rheswm Atal perygl i'r cyhoedd o ganlyniad i waith gosod peipiau Dŵr Cymru.

Hyd O 9.00am ddydd Llun 1 Ebrill 2019 am hyd at chwe mis

Dyddiedig 14 Mawrth 2019
Cyfarwyddwr Amgylchedd a Thai
Cyngor Bro Morgannwg,
Depo'r Alpau, Gwenfô. CF5 6AA.

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (BARRY PUBLIC FOOTPATH Nos 31 & 73) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2019

14x6

On the 14th March 2019 the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 made an Order as described in the schedules below:

The Order shall come into force on 1st April 2019 and will be known as "The Vale of Glamorgan Council (Barry Public Footpath Nos 31 & 73) (Temporary Closure) Order 2019.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 1st April 2019 apply to the High Court for this purpose

SCHEDULE 1

1. No person shall proceed on foot in the locations specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Location 1 Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Barry Number 73 closed from a point 35 metres from its junction with Clos Cwm Barri in a south westerly direction to the footpath end.

Alt. Route During this closure there will be no diversion but access to the field will still be available.

Location 2 Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Barry Number 31 closed from the point it meets the Pumping Station Access Road for a distance of 200 metres in a south westerly direction.

Alt. Route A diversion via Salisbury Road, Oxford Street, Fishponds Hill and Footpath Number 32 will be available

Reason To prevent danger to the Public as a result of Dwr Cymru Welsh Water pipe laying works being carried out.

Duration From 9.00am on Monday 1st April 2019 for a maximum period of six months

Dated this 14th day of March 2019
Director of Environment & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council,
The Alps Depot, Wenvoe. CF5 6AA.

G2S WALES
CLEARLY BETTER ON PRICE AND QUALITY

FREE FRENCH OR PATIO DOOR WITH ANY 6 WINDOWS

DOORS TO SUIT ANY HOME

ALL PRICES INCLUDE FITTING AND VAT

ENERGY EFFICIENT ...Every Time

ENERGY EFFICIENT

BIFOLDING DOORS

UPVC FROM £3,265

ALUMINIUM FROM £4,251

FRENCH & PATIO DOORS

FRENCH DOOR FROM £1,393

PATIO DOOR FROM £1,229

COLOURED COMPOSITE DOORS

Many more colours and styles available

THIS DOOR ONLY £1,804

THIS DOOR ONLY £1,453

THIS DOOR ONLY £1,197

THIS DOOR ONLY £1,634

EASY MONTHLY PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE ON ALL WINDOWS & DOORS Lowest Finance Rates

MADE IN BRITAIN
Checkatrade.com
Yale
Pilkington energiKare
energy saving trust recommended
FENSA Registered Company

DON'T FORGET WE CAN ALSO HELP WITH...
WINDOWS, CONSERVATORIES, LANTERN ROOFS, FASCIAS, SOFFITS AND GUTTERING

G2S WALES
CLEARLY BETTER ON PRICE AND QUALITY

INCORPORATING G2S WALES Est. 2014
100 YEARS COMBINED TRADING

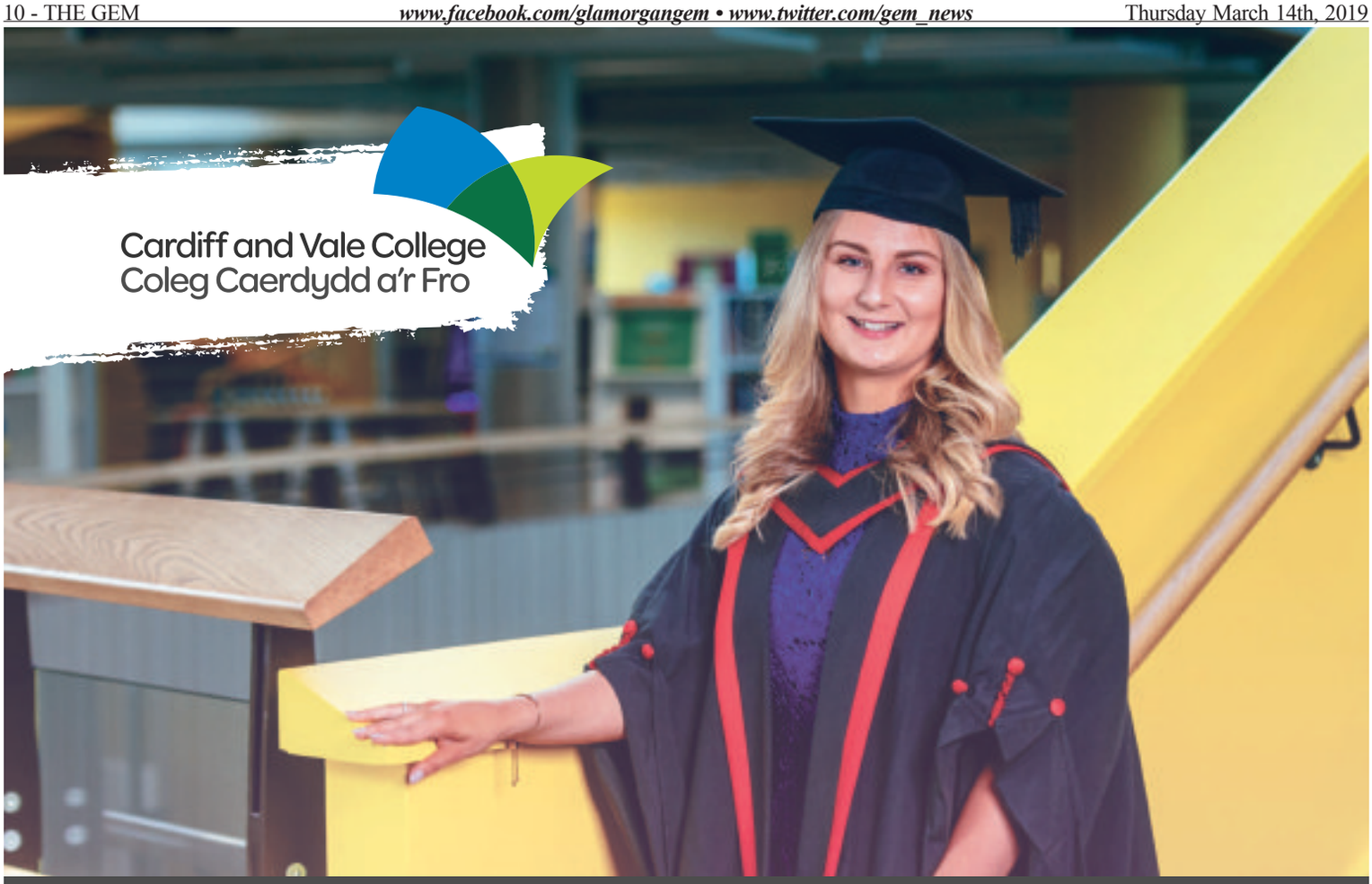
CALL US ANY TIME
OUR PHONES ARE MANNED 24/7

01656 349467
Calls charged at a local rate from landlines, mobile costs vary, consult your provider.

www.g2sgroup.co.uk

VISIT OUR SUPERB SHOWROOM
Unit 1, York Park, Chepstow Rd, Bridgend Ind. Estate Bridgend CF31 3TB

Free French door up to 1200mm or patio door up to 1400mm wide, French or Patio door is for white upvc double glazed option. Terms and conditions apply, please ask for details. Window package prices are for white casement windows. Offers cannot be used with any other advertised offer, cannot be used in conjunction with any other or previous quotation, discount or offer. Each section of a bay window counts as one window, maximum window size 2.5M x 1.3M. G2S reserve the right to withdraw any offer without prior notice. Finance is only available on orders over £1000.00 And is subject to approval and availability. The G2S group is authorised and regulated by the financial conduct authority. The firm appears on the financial services register (frn: 670683) and is authorised to provide credit broking services. The G2S group act as an intermediary and only offer products from creation consumer finance limited. Creation consumer finance is authorised and regulated by the financial conduct authority (frn: 311518). E&oe March 2019. Images are for illustration purposes only.



Higher Education

Open Evening
Nosweithiau Agored

Addysg Uwch

20.03.19 4.30–7.00pm

City Centre Campus, Cardiff / Campws Canol y Ddinas, Caerdydd

An open evening is the perfect opportunity to learn more about your course/s of interest and gain an insight into what studying a university level course at CAVC is really like.

Pre-register now!
www.cavc.ac.uk/heopen

Mae noson agored yn gyfle da i ddarganfod mwy am y cwrs/cyrsiau sydd o ddiddordeb i chi a chael syniad o sut beth yw astudio cwrs lefel prifysgol yn CAVC mewn gwirionedd.

Cofrestrwch Ymlaen Llaw nawr!
www.cavc.ac.uk/auagor

Charity launches appeal for nurses to get ready for the next generation

TŶ Hafan, the children's hospice in Wales, is appealing to supporters to help its nurses get ready for the next generation and expand their care beyond the hospice walls and into the homes of life-limited children.

Over the past 20 years, nursing has changed significantly. Since its opening in 1999, Tŷ Hafan has supported more than 800 children, and every year more children are admitted to the Sully-based hospice for comfort and care. With developments in technology and medicine, children are living longer which means that their needs have become increasingly complex.

Tŷ Hafan's Head of Hospice Care, Hayley Humphries, who has worked with Tŷ Hafan for most of her nursing career for 14 years, said: "We respond to the needs of each and every Tŷ Hafan child so our clinical care has had to evolve considerably.

"Our highly-trained nurses have introduced new clinical procedures and our symptom control and management techniques have become more specialised. Our hospice is now open 24/7, 365 days a year, enabling us to be ready for whenever the children need us.

"At the beginning of this year, we introduced our first-ever children's palliative care community nurse in Powys and, in the next 20 years, our ultimate aim is to have a Tŷ Hafan community nurse based in every Welsh health board, joining forces with the existing health services to provide pain management, family support and end of life care in a home setting.

"It costs over £1.1 million every year to train and fund our nurses, both community and hospice based. That's why we're launching this appeal and asking community, corporate and individual supporters to do anything they can to raise funds to help our nurses support even more children across Wales, not only in the hospice but also in the safe and familiar comfort of their own homes. There will be more families who need us, and we need to be ready for them".

Parents with first hand experience of Tŷ Hafan's nursing care know just how much it means to them, when faced with their darkest moments.

Osian Liddell from Barry has been visiting Tŷ Hafan for short breaks ever since he was born nearly four years ago. His mother, Anna, recalled how she felt the first time she visited the hospice and handed her tiny baby over to the Tŷ Hafan nurses.

"We just felt massive relief and for the first time in Oshi's young life, we felt calm," she said.

"We were with people who could help us and if something happened, they'd know what to do. Osian was safe. Those nurses are a replacement 'me'. As well as medication, they give cuddles and love, which is just what Oshi needs."

To help Tŷ Hafan raise funds for its nurses and to make a meaningful difference to life-limited children in Wales, visit www.tyhafan.org/nurses/.

New divisional commander for Bridgend and the Vale announced

CHIEF Superintendent Alun Morgan has been appointed as the new Divisional Commander for Bridgend and the Vale of Glamorgan.

It is a proud moment for the 52-year-old as he approaches 30 years of service with South Wales Police. During his career, he has worked in all four divisional areas of the force as well as with specialist units at Force Headquarters in Bridgend.

He has considerable experience of policing at both operational and support levels since starting as a Police Constable in Cockett, Swansea, through to more recent duties as Superintendent (Operations) in Bridgend and the Vale.

Chief Supt Morgan is a trained hostage and crisis negotiator and has been so for almost half his service.

Mr Morgan said: "I am truly humbled to become the Divisional Commander for Bridgend and the Vale of Glamorgan. It is a real honour to lead the police officers and staff members who do remarkable things day in, day out to keep our communities safe.

"I have a fantastic team around me with key support from Superintendent Claire Evans and I want to build upon the excellent work of my predecessor, Chief Supt Stuart Parfitt, to continue to address the concerns of residents in our communities and take positive action to tackle any issues successfully.

"Keeping the area safe remains our priority – which means making it as hostile a place as possible for those with a view to the contrary. We are here to keep our neighbourhoods safe and we will aim to do that by working in partnership with all those who share that vision." **CT**

Chief Supt Alun Morgan, the new Divisional Commander for the area.

Former prison governor's talk

THE Vale of Glamorgan Association of National Trust Members (VOGANTM) holds its next meeting on Wednesday, March 20, at 11am in the Duke of Wellington, Cowbridge.

The speaker will be Geoff Hughes, who will talk on 'Beyond the Prison Wall'.

Mr Hughes is a former governor of Belmarsh, Cardiff, and other prisons, and is a regular speaker.

He is currently Master of the Worshipful Livery Company of Wales and chairman of the Standards Committee of South Wales Fire and Rescue. Non-members will be welcome as guests at this meeting (though they may be gently invited to join the Association). **AM**

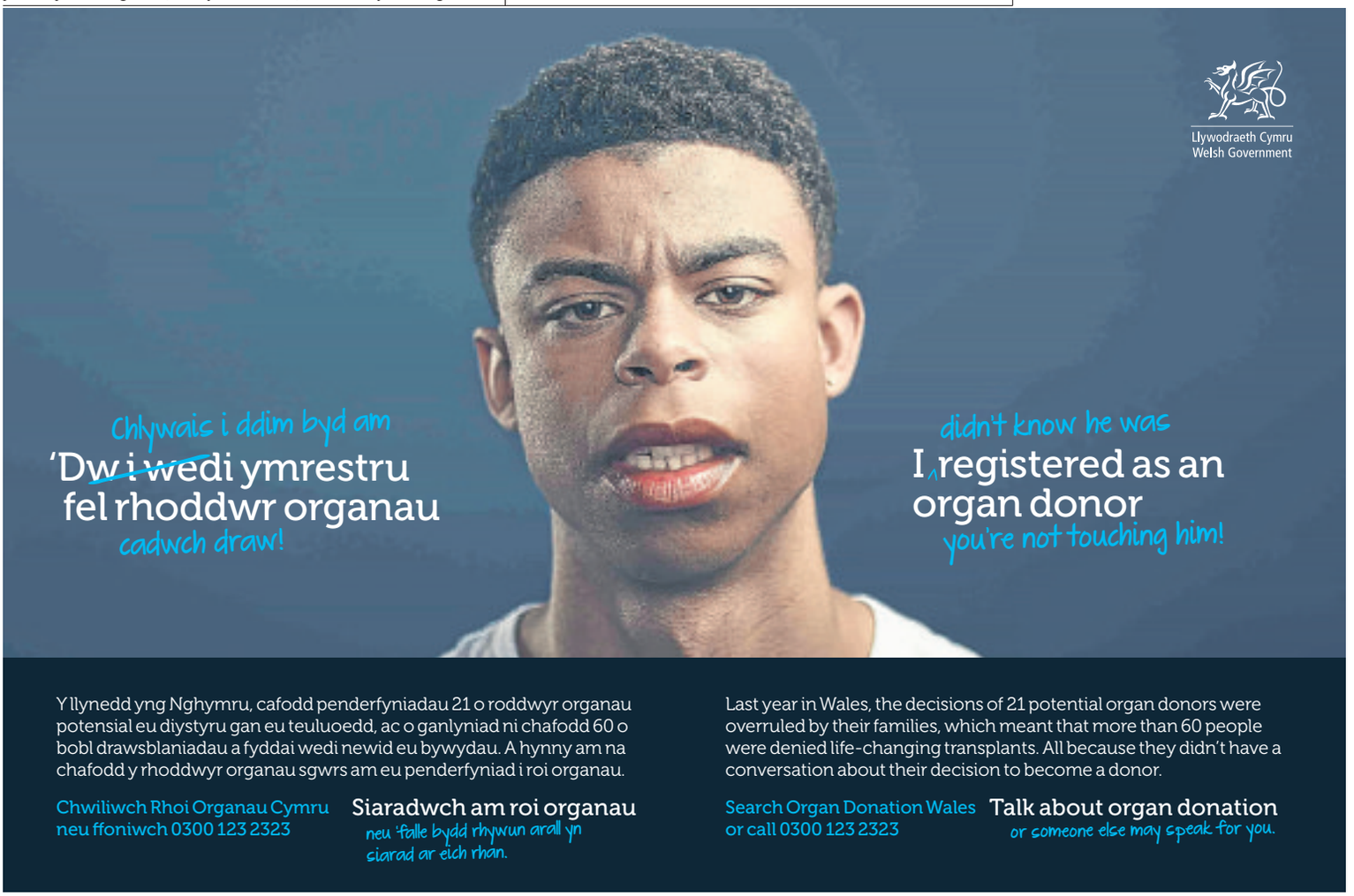
Anthony Jarvie Solicitors

Specialist solicitors in Wills, Powers of Attorney, Probate and Estate Planning and Administration, and Inheritance Tax Planning

Delivering peace of mind to you and your loved ones whilst providing:

- Expert and current legal advice
- A professional and bespoke service.
- A warm and friendly reception to all clients
- Clear and competitive pricing
- Excellent communication throughout
- Home visits where necessary

Please contact Helen Jones today for a no obligation chat
Telephone: 01656 652737
Email: helenj@anthonyandjarvie.co.uk
6 Court Road, Bridgend, CF31 1BW



Vale pupils are left inspired on International Women's Day

LOCAL schoolgirls shared their dreams of running a scaffolding business and becoming an Olympic gymnast with successful Barry businesswomen on International Women's Day.

The get-together was organised by Belinda Loveluck-Edwards, Labour's prospective Parliamentary candidate for the Vale.

Pupils from High Street Primary School met the businesswomen to hear their personal stories and be inspired by them.

Mrs Loveluck-Edwards explained: "I believe we all want to see girls across the Vale being given every opportunity to succeed. We need to inspire them. The theme of International Women's Day was 'balance for better'. It was a reminder that women are still not fully represented in business and we still need to press for change.

"The businesswomen opened the eyes of the girls to a world of possibilities and we are now looking forward to building a wider event across the Vale next year."

The pupils – Ffion Vowels, Molly Kelly, Ruby Barnfield-Lake and Seren Wroblewski – met Angharad Mollooly and Lois Nolan, who own the 'Annie and Lolo' store and they were joined by the founder of the GoodWash Company, Mandy Powell, and Penny Mickelson, a tennis ambassador for south Wales.

To mark International Women's Day Annie and Lolo had launched a hygiene bank for women in need.

The girls also spoke to Alice Harding of O'Shea's on Barry Island, who organised a free dinner at Christmas for local vulnerable people and the new chair of High Street traders, Vicky McDonald.

Fay Blakely of Homemade Wales also spent time with the pupils and said: "We talked about being a woman running your own business, what that entails, how much hard work it is – but how rewarding it is.

"We talked about the importance of being happy and doing something you enjoy. The girls who visited all have great ambitions for the future and I'm in no doubt they'll achieve them."

The youngsters ended their day with a visit to Giggles store on High Street, Barry.

TC

Belinda Loveluck-Edwards (second from right) with High Street Primary School pupils at Giggles store High Street, Barry on International Women's Day.

False start to Spring is confusing the bees

News from the Fonmon Apiary with Harold Williams

IS spring really here? Last month was very convincing and the bees thought so too. However, a complete reversal of the weather has curtailed eternal activity; but not stopped it altogether.

Examining the debris in the underfloor trays is revealing an increase in varroa mite numbers and this is an indication that the queens are stepping up their egg production – and the varroa will take advantage of this situation.

Here at the apiary, I have two colonies of bees that have been overwintered, each in their own nucleus box.

What is a 'nucleus box'? It is a smaller version of a beehive: a full size version holds 11 frames whereas the nucleus only has five frames in it. These 'nuc' boxes are made from expanded polystyrene; the full size hives are made of wood.

The insulating properties of the polystyrene boxes is much appreciated by the bees, and if there is a downside, it is when it comes to cleaning said boxes. Unlike the wooden full size boxes that can be scraped and gone over with a blowlamp to ensure good hygiene, this cannot be done with the poly-nucs. However, I am experimenting with a wallpaper stripper and steam cleaning appears to be working. I do have wooden nuc boxes and they can be scorched.

All colonies are showing external activity and the foragers, when they can get out, are returning with pollen which is always a good sign. Very shortly, the beginner's course will be initiated and if there is one recommendation that we try to convey to the newcomer, it is that of having spare equipment!

Many new beekeepers will only wish to have one or maybe two hives at the most, so see no requirement for extra equipment. As the year progresses, the occupants of their hives will increase rapidly: left to themselves, the bees will control the situation of overcrowding by swarming!

So if you wish to keep your bees, there are manoeuvres that can be carried out, but they do require spare kit. Swarming is a natural cycle in the life of a honeybee.

Harold Williams

Grant aid to activity groups and sports clubs

FUNDING totalling £68,478 has been shared between local clubs and projects developing new opportunities for physical activity in the Vale.

The Community Chest scheme is funded by Sport Wales and managed locally by the Sports Development section of the Vale Council's Healthy Living Team.

Organisations across the Vale applied for funding. These included Barry Basketball Club, who are looking to increase the number of female adults at the club, Vale Vipers Girls Basketball, who are looking to increase the number of under-12s playing and Barry Squash, who will deliver female-only sessions in the future.

Elsewhere, funding has been used for training courses for coaches and volunteers, to buy equipment for new activities, to promote their projects and to pay hire fees.

The grants distributed are not purely for sporting activities. They have also been used to develop new physical activity opportunities, such as running and cycling groups.

Non-sport organisations successful in receiving Community Chest funding over the last year include Amelia Methodist Trust Company Ltd, Newydd Housing Association and Graig & Penllyn Residents Association, who received funding for signage for an activity exercise trail in the outdoors.

The Community Chest scheme is set to return in the new financial year (April 2019-March 2020), with £81,500 available for Vale organisations.

For more information, telephone Karen Davies, principal healthy living officer for the Vale Council on 01446 704793, before submitting your proposal by the April 4 deadline.

New walking group for carers

VALEWAYS walking group is offering a new guided walk from April for carers of all ages and their friends and families.

Carers Trust Wales have calculated that there are at least 370,000 carers in Wales. The Carers Trust Wales believes that three in five of us will become a carer at some point in our lives.

The carers' walk will be a gentle stroll which will offer a chance to exercise, meet people and enjoy fresh air. Hopefully, the walks will support carers and give them renewed energy for their role as a carer.

If you are interested in joining this group, the walk will take place on the last Thursday of every month at 10.30am and meets outside Barry Island train station. the walk will last between 45 to 60 minutes.

For more details, contact Lynne on 07729991491.

Beautiful Bella is looking for a good companion

BELLA is a beautiful two-year-old Staffy who enjoys human company and having a cuddle.

Bella does socialise with other dogs, but is best suited as the only dog in the home so that she can have all the fuss and attention to herself.

She can live with children 14 years and over if they are used to bouncy dogs but unfortunately, she is unable to live with cats. Bella is a loveable girl with a fun personality and will be a lovely companion.

External rehomer Mandy said: "Bella is super friendly and is eager to please. If you love Staffies, you will completely fall for this gorgeous girl."

To find out more Bella, contact Dogs Trust Bridgend on 01656 725219; or visit the rehoming centre in Bridgend, CF31 4NG. You can also visit the website at www.dogstrust.org.uk.

PACT in the Vale

GIBBONSDOWN 'Cuppa with a Copper,' held every Monday morning at the Aberaeron HUB, Aberaeron Close, Barry, between 10am and 12 noon.

A Coffee and Chat takes place at the Watermill, Ogmore by Sea at 11am on Tuesday, March 19.

If you have any issues that are affecting your quality of life but are unable to attend a meeting, contact 101 for non emergencies or log onto: www.south-wales.police.uk for contact details for your local PCSO to contact them directly for non emergency matters.

Valeways guided walks

ON Sunday, March 17 Scenic Views in St Nicholas; meet at the Natural Burial Ground off the A48 at 2pm.

On Wednesday, March 20 the Coffee Shop Strollers of Barry meet at 10.30am at the Bron y Mor car park, Cold Knap, Barry.

The same day, the Coffee Shop Strollers of Cowbridge meet at 2.30pm at the Physic Garden fountain in Cowbridge.

On Thursday, March 21 the Wild Daffodil Walk leaves the lay-by at cattle grid SS 897 752 in St Bride's Major at 10am.

On Sunday, March 24 meet at St Peter's Church, Mill Road in Dinas Powys at 2pm: Spring Is Here!

complete care solutions
april
For a no obligation assessment and quote, or just an informal chat, please call us on 01656 863963 or e-mail info@aprilcare.co.uk
14 Hendre Road, Pencoed CF35 5NW
www.aprilcare.co.uk
Facebook: @aprilcarebridgend

April aims to deliver high-quality and reliable healthcare and domiciliary services, which fulfil our clients staffing needs. By building sustainable client relationships, the company actively nurtures its continual expansion and strives to exceed client and staff expectations.

Award winning quality care at competitive prices

Serving Bridgend, the Vale and surrounding areas for over 20 years! From simple support in the home to 24 hour care, we can help you to keep your independence. All staff are suitably trained and have DBS (Police Check).

INVESTORS IN PEOPLE

VALE
Solicitors ✦ Advocates ✦ Mediators

Vale Solicitors are pleased to announce that as from 4th February this year

Jeffrey Lloyd

previously of James and Lloyd Solicitors and latterly at CJCH Solicitors has joined them as a consultant.

Past and current clients are welcome.

Specialists in conveyancing, wills, probate, LPA's as well as all family matters, mediation and criminal advocacy.

102 High Street, Barry, CF62 7DS

01446 733191 / 792535

07926 011837

Email: jefflloyd@valesolicitors.com

CARDIFF

Oakfurniture CLEARANCE

MASSIVE STOCK TO CLEAR

NEW STOCK ARRIVING DAILY

UP TO 60% OFF OUR USUAL CLEARANCE PRICES

SOLID HARDWOOD CABINETS

— ALL FACTORY BUILT IN A CHOICE OF FINISHES —

CHESTS FROM £88

COFFEE TABLES FROM £39

SOLID OAK DINING TABLES WITH A CHOICE OF 6 CHAIRS

OAK, LEATHER, FABRIC OPTIONS

FROM £299

SOFAS • RECLINER ARMCHAIRS • CORNER GROUPS

FABRIC & LEATHER AVAILABLE

CANCELLED ORDERS & SURPLUS STOCK

FROM £129

HUNDREDS OF ITEMS TO TAKE AWAY TODAY! NO FLAT PACK! NO VENEER!

Images & prices shown are a representation of our constantly changing stock. Actual stock may vary, please see in store for our latest offers

HADFIELD ROAD • CARDIFF • CF11 8AQ

(ADJACENT TO ENTERPRISE rent-a-car)

Monday – Friday 9am – 8pm, Saturday 9am – 6pm
Sunday 10.30am – 4.30pm

CANCELLED ORDERS or SLIGHT IMPERFECTIONS • EX-DISPLAY • NEW STOCK DAILY

CLOSING DOWN

NOW EVERYTHING 1/2 PRICE or LESS

WALLPAPERS & VINYLS

500 Beautiful wallpapers to choose from £1.50 to £15 a roll. Including kitchens: Bathrooms & childrens Ceiling Tiles & Coving - 1/2 price

CURTAINS & BEDDING

All 1/2 price
Curtain fabrics 50p a yd or metre
Curtain poles & rods from 75p
Window Blinds 1/2 Price & less

BATHROOMS

Bathroom Suite £159
Shower cubicles £29
Bi-fold shower doors £49.50
Stone Shower Trays £5: £10: £29
Wash Basins £22.50 Shower fittings

KITCHENS

5pc Fitted Kitchens £199
Stainless sink tops £24.50

BEDROOM FURNITURE

Sliding Doors for Fitted Wardrobes only £10 each
Chests of Drawers & Wardrobes All Half Price

DOORS - ALL 1/2 PRICE

Letterboxes: Handles: Locks: Screws
Hinges: Nails: Shelves & Brackets
Ropes: Chain: Dust Sheets: Electrics

TOOLS - ALL 1/2 PRICE

WALL TILES & FLOOR TILES ALL LESS THAN 1/2 PRICE

RADIATOR CABINETS

PAINTS & VARNISHES

Matt: Silk: Gloss - a few colours left
Wood Stains: Bitumen

Silver Star
Beside the Dock Offices Clock
THE WATERFRONT BARRY CF63 4QT

• 2 mins from Morrisons
• Free Car Parking
• Buses to The Waterfront
• Trains to Barry Dock Station
Telephone (01446) 734762
• Open every day 9am to 5pm : Sundays 10am to 1pm

This Captain is Marvel-lous!

IT'S safe to say that the ending of *Avengers: Infinity War* left audiences pretty shellshocked.

If you were able to stick around for the typical Marvel Studios post-credit sting, you would have seen Nicky Fury activate a pager before (spoiler alert) turning to ash and vanishing.

We finally get to find out who that pager belonged to in Captain Marvel, as we meet, for the first time, Brie Larson's titular hero.

Vers (Larson) is an extraterrestrial Kree warrior, who has memories of another life as US Air Force pilot, Carol Danvers.

When Vers crashes on earth, she inadvertently teams up with S.H.I.E.L.D agent Nick Fury (Samuel L Jackson), and the pair begin to investigate her memories, all the while trying to stop an intergalactic war that threatens the planet...

Marvel Studios currently occupy the rarified air of rarely putting a foot wrong; however, as Spider-Man's Uncle Ben once pointed out, "With great power comes great responsibility".

The arrival of Captain Marvel comes with the added caveat of being the first Marvel film to be headlined by a female character, so much like last year's *Black Panther* it comes with an added weight.

By and large it's a weight that it handles well, and even if it's a film that doesn't trouble the upper echelons of the Marvel output so far, it's a wholly satisfying origin story for the newest addition to the ever-growing stable of characters.

The film opens with some clunkiness - the backstory of Captain Marvel/Carol Danvers/Vers is a convoluted one that doesn't benefit from some of the choices made in the opening 20 minutes here.

Once it settles down, it becomes a far smoother and more enjoyable ride.

The characteristics of previous Marvel films are present, either knowingly or unwittingly (there's a dash of *Guardians of the Galaxy*, a pinch of *Thor*) which does mean that the film only really develops its own identity around the halfway mark, but it hits notes that, while familiar, are enjoyable enough to carry it through.

Hiring directing duo Ryan Boden and Anna Fleck (more used to

SCREEN TALK with GARETH JAMIESON

Follow Screen Talk on Twitter - @GEMScreenTalk

playing in the low-budget playground with the likes of *Half-Nelson* and *Mississippi Grind*) was another bold directorial choice by Marvel, but one that doesn't wholly pay off.

While the pair have a sure enough handle on the character beats, the action sequences don't have enough personality, feeling helmed by committee rather than carrying the tenets of the directing duo.

Where the film really hits home is in the performances. Brie Larson is a perfect fit for the lead character, delivering a strong turn as she attempts to discover who she really is, and her chemistry with Samuel L Jackson's de-aged Nick Fury is a real delight.

This 'buddy road movie' element is one of the film's strengths, and the pair are in fine form.

Around them other performances are solid, from the likes of Jude Law and Annette Bening, while Ben Mendehlson is a delight as Skrull leader Talos and Lashana Lynch, as Carol's friend Maria, is great in the opportunities she's given.

The narrative beats feel a tad familiar, seemingly using the origin story template with some slightly telegraphed twists, no doubt one of the downfalls of being the 21st Marvel film, but it all comes together into something that is well worth watching.

If it falls a little short of the studios' finest output (and after the films they released last year that's hardly a harsh criticism) it still carries enough of the Marvel charm to see it through – Captain Marvel is marvellous fun.

VERDICT: It doesn't hit the ground running, but once *Captain Marvel* hits its stride it becomes a very good film indeed. There are some small signs of Marvel fatigue, mainly in the direction and narrative beats, but the performances have great charm and carry the film, especially Brie Larson and Samuel L Jackson. *Recommended*.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Guardians of the Galaxy* (2014), *Thor* (2011).

ADVERTORIAL

Llandow Carpet Studio – for your flooring needs

LLANDOW Carpet Studio is a new name for flooring in the Vale.

The company is run by the Terrett family who have been in business in Llantwit Major and the Vale since 1978. They have always handled all types of flooring but were better known as interior design consultants. A few years ago, Patrick and Susan Terrett decided to stop offering interior design services and turned the studio into a flooring showroom, specialising in Cormar carpets.

After Byron Terrett won the British Carpet Fitting competition in 2017, interest for his services started coming in from all over the country, the studio was developed to cover all markets from reasonably priced carpets and vinyls to high end carpets and Amitco, costing up to £200 per square metre.

The company operates from Unit 21K at the Vale Business Park, Llandow. This is the home of the company's main operation as flooring contractors to new home builders Persimmon and Taylor Wimpey. From here, the parent company, Ourown Designs Ltd, travels all over south Wales installing carpets for new home builders.

Patrick Terrett told The GEM that Llandow Carpet Studio was set up to look after local people who want flooring and it has proved to be a huge success, with customers returning and recommending all the time.

Large carpet stores can be a bit disconcerting as the choice is vast and confusing. Llandow Carpet Studio try and work on an appointment basis so that Patrick Terrett can be available to help you with your selection personally.

Alternatively, you can call any time between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, and have a look around the studio at your leisure. However, we must point out that the studio is up a flight of stairs. If the stairs are a problem, Patrick will have a chat and bring samples down for you to look at; he also offers a home visit if needed.

Winners of the British Carpet Fitting Championship are not allowed to defend, so you can win it only once. Byron won in 2017 and John Wright, who was second, won it in 2018. Byron and John, who lives in Oxford, have become very good friends and they get together when either of them has a person who simply wants the best, and for flooring installations that need the best fitters in the country. This year, they will be working on the homes of some very famous people, but more than that we cannot say!

Llandow Carpet Studio will almost certainly have flooring to suit every person's needs and budget.

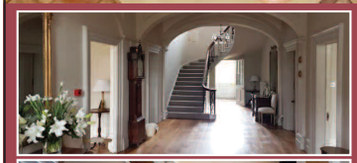
Contact them on 01446 775050 or email mail@llandowcarpetstudio.co.uk.

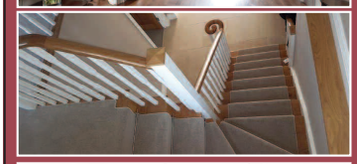
Art and craft group meet in Llantwit Major

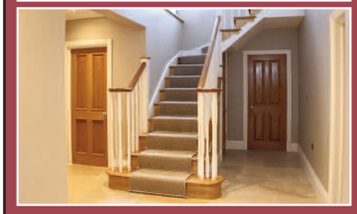
LLANTWIT Major Art and Craft group will meet on Friday, March 15 at 7.30pm at Llantonian Hall.

Joan Hughes and Rhoda Luzio, two of the members, will give an interactive presentation entitled 'What is Art?' to include a thought provoking, informal discussion with a slideshow which encourages the audience to join in.

Visitors are welcome to come along and join the group, which is very friendly and happy to share skills. A fee of £3 is payable on the night.







Full range of flooring to satisfy everybody's requirements.

Fitted to the highest standards
Byron Terrett
British Carpet Fitting Champion

Showroom Open
Monday - Friday 9am-5pm
outside hours by appointment

21K Vale Business Park, Llandow, Cowbridge, CF71 7PF
Tel: 01446 775050
www.llandowcarpetstudio.co.uk

amtico BROCKWAY KIDDERMINSTER CORMAR CARPET CO HUGH MACKAY carpets Brintons VICTORIA CARPETS Established 1895

FREEBIE GIVEAWAY

FREE ONLINE QUOTE!

FREE

VERTICAL BLINDS WITH WINDOWS

FREE

49" TV WITH WINDOWS & DOORS FITTED

FREE!

PRICE PROMISE WE WILL BEAT ANY QUOTE

0% APR REPRESENTATIVE

10 YEAR GUARANTEE

GET YOUR FREE QUOTE TODAY!

FREE

VERTICAL BLINDS & UNDER FLOOR HEATING WITH CONSERVATORIES

THESE DOORS FULLY FITTED

£699

WINDOWS • DOORS • CONSERVATORIES • FRENCH DOORS • BI-FOLD DOORS • PORCHES

WINDOWS, DOORS M.P.N & CONSERVATORIES

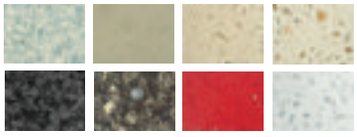
Established Family run Welsh company
Come and visit our amazing showroom at Leckwith Road, Cardiff, CF11 8AP (Opposite Cardiff City Football Club)
Free Parking
CARDIFF: 02920 508770 | BRIDGEND: 01656 349515
BARRY: 01446 439212 • MOBILE/TEXT: 07976 640959 •
OPEN 8AM TO 9PM 7 DAYS A WEEK
www.mpnwindows.com | Email: sales@mpnwindows.com

Wales No.1 double glazing company

STRICT TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY TO ALL OFFERS.

Here at Joe's Doors we have been in the fitted kitchen industry for over 10 years and in this time, we have gained a fine reputation, which we are so very proud of.

If you're looking to have a completely new kitchen fitted or are maybe looking to replace existing cabinet doors we can definitely help. We have a fantastic range of replacement kitchen doors that you can choose from that are very much less expensive than any other quote you will receive. Please call Joe's Doors now for a free quote, no salesman, no pressure selling.



Joe's Worktop Overlay's

Transform your kitchen with a Quartz overlay.

MADE IN THE UK

Why replace your worktops when this unique quartz overlay simply fits over your existing surface. Look at these amazing benefits:

HYGIENIC - an almost perfectly smooth surface leaves nowhere for germs to hide.
EASY TO CARE FOR - a quick wipe with a neutral cleaner is all you need.
DURABLE - scratch resistant and more than tough enough to withstand everyday knocks and scratches.
TIMELESS - there is something about stone that means it never goes out of fashion.
EASILY INSTALLED - in less than a day with no mess.

FREE SURVEY ✓ • FREE DESIGN ✓ • FREE QUOTE ✓ • FULLY FITTED ✓ • NATIONWIDE ✓

01446 688407 • www.joesdoors.co.uk

Lines open: Mon/Sat 9.00am - 6.00pm Sun 10.00am - 4.00pm.

SPECIALIST SERVICES AND BUSINESSES CARDIFF ROAD, BARRY

Self storage in Wales just got better with Masons!

MASONS Self Storage Ltd are proud to announce that their 24/7 accessible self storage operation in Wales is alive and kicking, with plenty of business and domestic customers making use of the brilliant facilities available to them.

With 24/7 access, cargo lifts, self storage rooms and containers ranging from 12 sq.ft up to 1,000 sq.ft, state of the art CCTV/security, trailer hire and 14 days notice to cancel, they really do have the most flexible storage options around.

Not to forget the trailer hire option – there's always a full move-in package available to help reduce the most stressful elements of all; moving and storing!

With 25 years worth of experience, they really do provide full expertise to ensure their customers are happy and receive the support they need – with a very special offer available, 50 per cent off your first eight weeks' storage!

For a free quote, call 0800 533 5708, email *info@masonsselfstorage.co.uk* or visit the website *www.masonsselfstorage.co.uk*

New business lounge on site.

MASONS SELF STORAGE

HIGH QUALITY SELF STORAGE IN THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN

- 115 years in removals and storage
- 24/7–365 days access to all rooms
- 100+ CCTV cameras and monitoring
- Rooms ranging between 12 sq.ft - 1000 sq.ft
- Large state of the art lifts
- New business lounge with free Wi-Fi
- Professional service, with flexible contracts

50% OFF your first 8 WEEKS of storage
T&C's apply

Get in touch to find out more or come and pay us a visit!

Masons Self Storage Ltd The Storage Centre, Priority Enterprise Park, Cardiff Road, Barry, CF63 2BG

T: 01446 700799 **E:** info@masonsselfstorage.co.uk **W:** www.masonsselfstorage.co.uk

This offer can only be used once as a new customer and cannot be used in line with any other offer. See a member of staff for further information.

Dinas Windows at your service

DINAS WINDOWS has been in business for over 30 years, serving the Vale and surrounding area. Our name is well known in the local area as being a reliable and efficient company, with customers returning time and time again and recommending us on the way.

As a company, we always strive to do the best that we can when fitting our windows, doors and conservatories, which are all manufactured at our premises in Barry.

We are introducing new products all the time; for example, why not ask for a brochure for a new composite door, with many colours to choose from?

Dinas Windows also do repair work to windows and doors and replacement conservatories and porches.

Whatever your choice of windows, doors or conservatories, come to Dinas Windows for a free, no-obligation quotation today – and know you are dealing with a reliable local business that is the best.

We would like to thank all our customers, past and present, for supporting Dinas Windows and hope that they will continue to do so in the future.

Please call helpline 01446 749055, or 0800 0260587 (24 hours).

DINAS WINDOWS LTD
'A family company you can trust' Est.1988

BRIGHTEN YOUR HOME THIS SPRING WITH…

- New windows
- Doors • Composite doors
- Fascia, Soffits & Guttering
- Replacement Conservatories & Porches • Repair work to windows & doors.

Call us now for a free no obligation quotation on 01446 749055 or Freephone 0800 0260587 (24 hrs).

Unit 16, Ty-Verlon Industrial Estate, Cardiff Road, Barry.
www.dinaswindows.co.uk

South Wales Stair Lifts - for all your stair lift needs...

WITH a fast call-out response and excellent customer service, give South Wales Stair Lifts a call for all your stair lift needs.

Locally based in Barry, we provide stair lift sales, servicing, repairs and rentals at the most competitive prices in the south Wales area.

Stair lifts are installed from £1,250 and can be fitted in days. Rental stair lifts can be installed for as long as you need, with no tie-in.

We offer a free consultation at your home at a time that suits you.

We are the local Stannah Stair Lift supplier, along with other makes which are available.

Our friendly engineers are very experienced in what they do and have the compassion to provide a service in the most delicate of situations.

Please visit our Facebook page, Facebook.com/southwalesstairlifts to read some handwritten letter reviews from our satisfied customers.

Contact us for a free consultation or just for advice on 01446 737799.

SOUTH WALES STAIRLIFTS

STAIRLIFTS SUPPLIED & INSTALLED
REPAIRS | SERVICING | RENTALS | FREE CONSULTATION
CALL US NOW ON 01446 737799
Unit 2A&B, Palmersvale Business Centre, Barry, CF63 2XA.

Looking to advertise in over 45,000 newspapers AND online - email sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk or call 01446 774484

SPECIALIST SERVICES AND BUSINESSES CARDIFF ROAD, BARRY

VOG Fire & Security

PROTECTING YOUR
Home & Business

Intruder Alarms | Wire Free Alarms | Fire Alarms | Security Lighting | CCTV | Door Entry Systems

CALL TODAY FOR A FREE
no obligation survey and quotation

REASON TO BUY FROM US:
• SSAIB Approved for all your Home and Business Insurance Requirements
• All Staff CRB Checked
• We will beat any Like for Like quotation
• 24 Hours Service
• Partners with the Vale Of Glamorgan Neighbourhood Watch

TEL: 01446 739586

www.vogalarms.com
Unit 3 Palmerston Workshops,
Barry, Vale of Glamorgan, CF63 2YZ

VOG works with you to make your business or home more secure

COULD your home or business be more secure?

One way to ensure this would be with a security system installed by VOG Fire and Security Ltd.

A spokesman explained: "We are a knowledgeable and professional security company with a fantastic reputation for offering cost effective, reliable and high quality systems to both the domestic and commercial markets.

"Our main aim is to achieve your complete satisfactio. With this in mind, and coupled with over 20 years of experience within the security business, you can be confident that your property and well-being is in safe and qualified hands."

Call 01446 739586; enquiries@*vogalarms.com.*

Looking to advertise in over 45,000 newspapers AND online - email **sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk** or call **01446 774484**

Try Vanman Express!

VANMAN express STORAGE & REMOVALS

• Recent relocation to refurbished warehouse
• New individual internal self storage containers
• Secure 24hr CCTV & alarmed/ very competitive rates

For a **FREE** quote, call Paul on freephone:
0800 2461125

email paulthevanman@btinternet.com
www.vanmanexpress.co.uk
Unit B2 Ty Verlon Industrial Estate, Cardiff Road, Barry, CF63 2BE.

ABOVE: The Vanman Express fleet provides an efficient storage and removals service.

Edson Print – you ask, we deliver

EDSON PRINT (SERVICES) LTD is a family business with over 50 years of experience in the printing trade which, along with our attention to detail, makes us one of the leading local and regional printers.

We are experts at producing all types of high quality, affordable, digital and lithographic printed materials.

From single colour jobs, short-run letterheads, business cards, brochures, presentation folders and catalogues to large-run, full-colour bespoke marketing materials, we will work with you to produce exactly what you need.

You ask. We deliver. It's that simple –"We do what we say when we say".

edson PRINT
Commercial & Colour Printers

Edson Print (Services) Ltd
11 Palmerston Workshops,
Palmerston Road, Barry,
Vale of Glamorgan CF63 2YZ
T: 01446 722055
E: info@edson-print.co.uk
W: edson-print.co.uk

First month free at The Business Centre!

THE Business Centre (Cardiff) Ltd is the only fully-serviced office accommodation in the Vale.

We are the sole providers of modern, flexible office space – with free car parking, meeting room hire, business address services and telephone call answering packages.

We have a variety of Virtual Office packages which include use of our prestigious address, receiving of mail and post forwarding services, calls answered by our receptionists, messages re-laid or calls transferred plus much more.

It all starts from £25+VAT per month, with your first month free if you honour a six-month period. We take care of you while you take care of your business!

For a free quote call 01446 739911, email *emma@thebusinesscentreonline.co.uk* or head to the website *thebusinesscentreonline.co.uk*

the businesscentre™ flexible serviced offices

Business Address Facility

Are you working from home?

The Business Centre (Cardiff) Ltd can provide an added businesses through our business address facilities.

✓ Use of our prestigious address on your letter heads or corporate advertising literature
✓ Increase your business image and credibility
✓ Receiving of mail and post forwarding services
✓ Signing for small parcels

Business address rental available from only £5.95 per week

1ST MONTH FREE if you honour a 6 month agreement
T&C's apply

Get in touch to find out more or come and pay us a visit!

The Business Centre (Cardi) Ltd Cardiff House, Cardiff Road, Vale of Glamorgan CF63 2AW
T: 01446 739911 E: enquiries@thebusinesscentreonline.co.uk www.thebusinesscentreonline.co.uk

This offer can only be used once as a new customer and cannot be used in line with any other offer.
See a member of staff for further information. Registered in England and Wales. Company Number: 08087285. VAT Reg No: 869542672.

ASGUARD LTD
LICENCED ASBESTOS REMOVAL SERVICES
Committed to compliance 01446 736002
Unit 3e, Palmersvale Business Centre, Barry CF63 2XA
Asbestos Removal & Disposal Services
• INDUSTRIAL
• COMMERCIAL
• RESIDENTIAL
Fully licensed through the Health & Safety Executive: Licence Number: 061405056
'IF IN DOUBT, CALL THE EXPERTS OUT!'
SERVICES WE OFFER:
Asbestos Removal & Disposal • Asbestos Management, Refurbishment & Demolition Surveys • Demolition & Soft Stripping • Asbestos Sampling • Artex Ceiling Removal • Asbestos Shed & Garage Roofs removed & reinstated • Asbestos Soffits and Fascia Boards • Asbestos Floor Tiles • Reinstatement Projects.
Lowest prices guaranteed
CALL NOW FOR A FREE NO OBLIGATION QUOTATION FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE SERVICES.
WWW.ASGUARDLTD.CO.UK
E-Mail: asguardltd@btconnect.com
Mobile: 07843 578119

Looking to advertise in over 45,000 newspapers AND online - email sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

SPECIALIST SERVICES AND BUSINESSES CARDIFF ROAD, BARRY

Are your fire doors fit for purpose?

KELLAWAY Commercial delivers construction and fire protection services across a wide range of commercial and residential projects. We offer the complete package to include a comprehensive range of constriction methods, systems and techniques complemented by a highly-skilled team of multi tradesmen, project management and site supervision, and we provide our services throughout Wales and the south west.

Proprietor Leighton Kellaway said: "We undertake new fire door installations, fire door surveys, maintenance and passive fire stopping, all certified under the BM Trada Q Mark accreditation scheme. "Whether it is the upgrade of just one fire door or several hundred, the same level of degree and commitment is given to that of our larger more demanding projects.

"We are a family-run business based in the Vale of Glamorgan and bring together valuable experiences from a multi trade of construction and fire stopping disciplines, and collectively hold over 60 years experience within this sector."

Find Kellaway Commercial at Unit 3F, Palmers Vale Business Centre, Palmerston Road, Barry, CF63 2XA. Call 01446 677620 or email *leighton@kellawaycommercial.co.uk* for more information.

Celebrating 10 years!

CHRIS and Michelle are celebrating 10 years as Twenty 12 Flooring.

This month also marks a year since they opened their showroom. It has been a huge success and is really popular with their customers who can see a wide range of carpets, laminate, vinyl, wood and luxury vinyl tiles on display from Quickstep, Elka, Penthouse, Abingdon, Cormar, Westex, Condor, Kingsmead, Tomkinson, Polyflor, Karndean and many more manufacturers in a friendly environment.

"There is a floor covering to suit everyone's needs and budget" said Michelle, who is at the showroom seven days a week to serve you and offer you professional advice where needed.

"We still continue to offer our free measuring service and home selection as we have done for the past 10 years. We want your experience in buying a new floor to be pleasant and fuss-free, so we do all the hard work for you.

"We measure, uplift and remove old flooring, move furniture, install new flooring and put all the furniture back – all you have to do is decide which floor you want!"

For those of you who cannot get to us, call 0800 610 2012 or 07403 310 516 to book a home visit and for those of you who wish to come and browse, you can find Twenty 12 Flooring on Ty Verlon Estate at Masons Buildings, turning before McDonalds – look for the signs pointing you in the right direction.

Chris and Michelle look forward to meeting you soon!

EXPRESS vehicle services
• Vehicle Servicing
• MOT's
• Tyres
• Brakes
• Clutches
• Vehicle Repair
01446 737737
Express House, Cardiff Rd, Barry CF63 2PQ
www.expressvehicleservices.com

Looking to advertise in over 45,000 newspapers AND online - email sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

KELLAWAY COMMERCIAL
FIRE DOOR & FIRE STOPPING SPECIALISTS
Reputation Built on Quality & Commitment
• Approved Fire Doors
• Fire Stopping
• Carpentry & Joinery
• Construction Services

Covering all areas throughout Wales
Home & Business
Competitive rates
Free no obligation quotes
01446 677620
Unit 3F, Palmersvale Business Centre, Palmerston Road, Barry, CF63 2XA
WWW.KELLAWAYCOMMERCIAL.CO.UK
UKAS PRODUCT CERTIFICATION · SafeContractor APPROVED · CHAIN OF CUSTODY BMTRADA · FIRE DOOR FDIS INSPECTION SCHEME Qualifying Fire Door Professionals · CHAS · Constructionline Silver Member

Open 7 Days a Week for all your flooring needs
twenty12flooring
Celebrating TEN Years
Tried and Trusted, standing the Test of Time, Thoughtful and There for you.
We supply and install all types of flooring

'Experts' are right there!

A mature economy delivers a huge range of services – and our local industrial estates play a key role in delivering that to Vale residents.

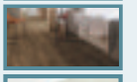
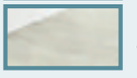
Yes, we need independent shops, supermarkets and car dealers, but we often need specialist services and expert advice.

That's where Priority Enterprise Park and Ty Verlon Estate on Cardiff Road, and Palmerston Workshops (across the road from Waitrose store) prove so invaluable.

Companies at these locations provide support for industrial, commercial and domestic customers.

Laminates

Carpets

Vinyl

Wood Flooring

Luxury Vinyl Tiles
• Free measuring service
• Home selection
• Uplift & removal of old flooring
• Move furniture
WE ARE HERE

Turning before McDonalds,
Unit 2 @ Masons, Ty Verlon Estate, Barry CF63 2BG
Freephone 0800 610 2012
Mobile 07403 310 516
info@twenty12flooring.com
www.twenty12flooring.com

Companies at these locations provide support for industrial, commercial and domestic customers.

You might need an alarm; fire equipment; storage solutions; double glazing; car or van servicing; asbestos removal; disposal services; a building project undertaken; vehicle hire; printing services; specialist flooring; or top of the range business premises.

Well, the businesses are all here on your doorstep in Barry, providing services and expertise to make your life easier!

SPECIALIST SERVICES AND BUSINESSES CARDIFF ROAD, BARRY

Thomson & Son, Local Builders' 18tonne HI-AB for bulkier, larger orders

Thomson & Son
Local Independent Timber & Builders' Suppliers
Tel: 01446 - 737755 www.thomsonandson.co.uk

YOUR FAMILY OWNED, LOCAL INDEPENDENT TIMBER & BUILDERS' MERCHANT

We continue to bring you the best quality building products and an excellent personal service – all at ***the lowest prices available.***

Originally founded in 1989 by the late Mr Ian Thomson and headed up by Graham Wood, Thomson & Son opened in Barry 13 years ago in April 2006 and has gone from strength to strength servicing local independent builders and trades people as well as DIY'ers. The friendly, knowledgeable staff are always on hand to help out. Operating from three sites on the Ty-Verlon Industrial Estate, they aim to provide stock items within 24 hours and non standard stock can usually be sourced a day or two later. Goods can either be collected or delivered by van for smaller orders or the 18 tonne HI-AB for bulkier larger orders.
Thomson's endeavour to source as much as possible within the local community and are committed to re-investing any profits in staff training, maintenance and supporting the local community.

Everything stocked from: Timber, Decking, Plasterboards, Blocks, Sand, Cement, Insulation, Primed MDF Skirting, Plywood, OSB, MDF, Guttering, Underground Pipe, Nails, Screws, Fixings, Joist Hangers.

TOO MANY TO LIST

Deliveries throughout the Vale same or next day on our Pick-Up Truck or our 18 Tonne HIAB Crane Vehicle.

For ALL your requirements, please call in or
Tel. 01446 737755
Unit 4, Channel View, Cardiff Road, Barry (next to McDonalds)
Follow us on Facebook for latest offers
facebook.com/thomsonandson

Looking to advertise in over 45,000 newspapers AND online - email **sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk** or call **01446 774484**

Care – when and where you need it the most– for your four-legged friends

VALE Veterinary Centre prides itself on offering exceptional veterinary care and an unrivalled service, whether at our surgeries or when required at your home, supported by a 24 hours 7 day a week on call service.

It is a local, independent and family-run business where your pet is guaranteed continuity of care from a dedicated team of vets and nursing staff.

The aim is to provide a unique and bespoke service delivering the very highest standard of care, thus allowing the practice to stand apart from the care your pet may currently be receiving.

Vale Veterinary Centre first opened in Barry in 2014, with its centre on Ty Verlon Industrial Estate (near McDonalds) on Cardiff Road. By reputation and success, the practice flourished, and a second centre was opened last year in Cardiff on Cathedral Road near Pontcanna Fields.

Services offered include home visits, emergency services, recovery and rehabilitation, on-site X-raying, hydrotherapy, a VIP service, and clinical laser surgery.

Laser surgery was introduced as part of Vale Veterinary Centre's continual striving to upgrade its facilities to provide the best, and latest standards of care.

The technique - the laser is unique to the practice - minimises tissue damage and aids a more rapid recovery for your pet.

The standards of excellence at Vale Veterinary Centre has been recognised with national awards. Richard Williams, who set up the Vale Veterinary Centre following five years of general practice and emergency hospital experience, was awarded 'Vet of the Year' 2016/17 by PetPlan, the largest UK insurance provider, an award that was voted for by the public.

Vale Veterinary Centre has also continued the success of the practice by bagging three out of eight awards for vets all over the UK in the VetPlus annual awards in London in November 2017 and again in 2018.

Richard Williams BVS c BSc MRCVS (owner)

- Practice Appointments
- Emergency Service
- Specialist Therapies
- Home Visits
- VIP Scheme
- Customer Parking

Local & family run

01446 739739
7/8 Ty Verlon Ind Est, Barry, CF63 2BE
02920 004007
233 Cathedral Road, Pontcanna, Cardiff, CF11 9PP
www.valevetcentre.co.uk

Barry is breathing better, thanks to new singing group

A NEW singing group set up in Barry is making a big difference to people with lung disease.

Funded by the British Lung Foundation (BLF) and the National Lottery, the Singing for Lung Health group has been running since November and is for anyone with a lung condition, such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma and IPF.

The program is designed to help ease breathlessness and encourage people living with lung disease to have fun and make friends.

After only two months, many of the members are seeing significant benefits. Local resident, Irene Webber, said: "Last year, I was diagnosed with Interstitial Lung Disease and I suffer from breathlessness. Singing for Lung Health is very enjoyable and fun.

"We do exercises and sing songs designed to improve breathing, and as a result my lung capacity has increased. We also get hand-outs so we can do more at home.

"It is very convenient and easy to get to. I wish we had had something like this years ago when I was a nurse. It allows people to do something for themselves, and not rely just on medication."

Another member said: "I cough quite a lot, especially in the evenings. But on the days when I go to Singing for Lung Health, I don't cough at all. It really works for me – it's wonderful!"

Classes are run by Ruth Bradshaw who runs several community and wellbeing choirs locally.

Ruth said: "Anyone who wants to breathe better can join us. You don't need to be able to sing in tune or have any singing experience whatsoever and you don't have to register –just turn up, come and have a sing and a laugh with us."

The sessions take place every Wednesdays between 1.30pm-2.30pm at the Margaret Alexander Community Centre, 11 Alexandra Crescent, Barry CF62 7HU. For further information about the local group, call 03000 555 555 or visit *blf.org.uk/ort-in-your-area*

Vale MP announces eighth marathon run for charity

VALE MP Alun Cairns has announced that he will be running the London Marathon again this year to raise money for the Dementia Revolution and Guide Dogs.

Mr Cairns launched his fundraising campaign on Barry Island with representatives from both charities as he seeks to match the £10,000 that he raised for NSPCC Cymru and Atal Y Fro at the 2018 Marathon.

He has chosen to donate to the 'Dementia Revolution', in which Alzheimer's Society and Alzheimer's Research have joined forces to raise funds through the London Marathon.

The Vale MP was joined by Ceri Smith from Alzheimer's Research, Jess Bowring from Alzheimer's Society and local volunteers, including Teresa and Denis McGuire from Llantwit Major, Steven Blackman from Cowbridge and Jane Weldon from Barry.

Teresa McGuire, who runs the Dementia Café in Llantwit Major said: "Alun visited our Dementia Café at one of our coffee mornings. I want to thank him for choosing the Dementia Revolution as one of his charities and for supporting us and giving a platform for local volunteers like myself to share their experience with Alzheimer's."

Sue Phelps, director for Alzheimer's Society Cymru said: "We are delighted that Alun Cairns has joined the Dementia Revolution to run the London Marathon. Dementia is the biggest health threat facing society and there are currently no effective treatments to slow, prevent or cure it."

The keen marathon-running MP will also be raising funds for Guide Dogs, who provide life-changing services to the 360,000 people who are registered blind or partially sighted. He was joined by members of the Guide Dog team including Andrea Gordon and her guide dog Kayley, Deborah Rees and Peter Jones.

A spokesperson for Guide Dogs said: "We rely on the generosity of the public and participants taking parts in events like these to allow us to continue our life changing work."

Information on how to donate to Mr Cairns' fundraising campaign can be found on his social media and website. All money will be split equally between the charities. To donate, visit the link virginmoneygiving.com/aluncairns.

Old Duffers United over-50s walking football team.

'Old Duffers' team a tonic for men of a certain age

A LOCAL man who has started an over-50s 'walking football team' for men who are bored, depressed or just want to get fit, has been amazed by the response he has received.

Gary Angel (53) a Vale Council employee, has called the team Old Duffers United and they meet up regularly in Cadoxton.

He said: "I publicised the idea on Facebook and the first week we had eight guys and by week four we were already up to 18. It's really caught on.

"Last week, I even had a call from a man who was in a hospital bed because of a mini-stroke asking if he could come along. Some of the players are recovering from injuries of one sort or another – I had a massive knee op myself.

"There are men who want to get fit, others might be bored or depressed – it means they have something to look forward to on a Wednesday evening. We meet at Cadoxton Sports Hall behind Cadoxton School. Things have gone so well, I'm thinking of starting up another group on Sundays.

"My partner Leann has been really supportive and once we've got this established, we want to start a team for women."

The group doesn't quibble too much on age qualifications, the youngest is 47, the oldest is 74. Gary insists that although it's walking football, people shouldn't underestimate the health benefits: "During one match I took 8,700 steps."

Interested local men should contact Gary in advance on 07545 320 632 so he knows the numbers attending. 'Duffers United Walking Footie' can be found on Facebook.

TC

Are you able to provide Supported Lodgings?

LLAMAU are currently looking for people from the Vale to provide a supportive home for homeless young people.

In this article, a young person who lives in Supported Lodgings explains how this scheme has helped her, while a Provider, who offers a room in her home to young people who are homeless, explains why she is part of the scheme.

***The young person's story…* I was referred to Llamau by Social Services after I had been asked to leave the family home.**

Throughout this time I suffered with mental health issues, anger issues, and self-medicated with cannabis. I took part in Llamau's Family Mediation, to see if my mum and I could build on our relationship, but things had gone too far.

Llamau spoke to me about my options and, together, we agreed that I would go into a Supported Lodgings placement. I was introduced to a Supported Lodgings provider, who was a single woman, and I moved into her house within days.

It was a daunting experience, but I received a lot of support throughout from Llamau, and from the Supported Lodgings provider I was living with.

I started to settle down in school and was able to achieve my GCSE qualifications. The independent skills I was learning helped me address my drug and anger issues, and my mental health improved immensely.

I worked hard to put my past life behind me and started to look forward to my future.

After leaving school I attended Cardiff and Vale College, and achieved Level 1 and Level 2 in Catering and Hospitality. I have now started an apprenticeship in catering with the Coal Exchange Hotel in Cardiff and I enjoy going to work.

I'm looking forward to being independent and will be moving into my own flat at the end of March. My life has changed dramatically through living in Supported Lodgings.

My mum and I now have a good relationship, and I have a special relationship with the woman that helped me change my life.

It is the best thing I have done, getting involved with Llamau and living in a great house, with a wonderful woman who has become a big part of my life.

***Lynne Appleyard tells of how she got involved with Llamau…* Homelessness has always been an important cause to me. When the opportunity with Llamau's Supported Lodgings scheme presented itself, I jumped at the chance to be involved.**

The young people Llamau support are really not to blame for the frightening situations in which they find themselves. Imagine sleeping on a piece of cardboard with just a thin blanket to cover yourself. These young people are vulnerable and at risk of abuse – sexual, mental and physical.

I believe that the young people Llamau support are the future, not only for us, but for the next generation as well. We must break the cycle of homelessness by offering young people a home in which they are welcome, and a comfortable, non-threatening environment in which they have the best opportunity to thrive at a pace that suits them.

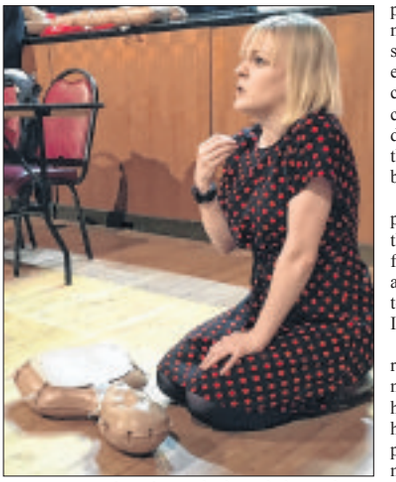
I have been involved with Llamau's Supported Lodgings Scheme since it began and, during that time, I have helped over 100 young people to move forward into independent and purposeful futures.

I believe in the future, I believe in these young people, and Llamau has enabled me to fulfil my wish of a providing homeless young people the chance of a brighter future.

For more information call 01446 748852 or email enquiries@llamau.org.uk

Parkrunners' free CPR training

AN A & E doctor from Penarth is giving free CPR training to Barry parkrunners after a cardiac arrest at her local parkrun last year.



Katie Clark, an emergency medicine trainee at Prince Charles Hospital, Merthyr, is a regular runner at Barry Island parkrun. In October 2018, she was taking part in the parkrun with her partner when another runner collapsed nearby.

A group of runners led by Katie and her partner performed CPR on the man and used the parkrun's defibrillator until the emergency services arrived.

Since then, Katie has been organising CPR training sessions for Barry Island parkrun to share her knowledge and teach the lifesaving skills to as many people as possible.

Katie held a training session at the Paget Rooms in Penarth on March 5.

She said: "The incident at Barry Island parkrun got me thinking about CPR sessions for parkrunners, volunteers and their families across Wales, including defibrillator training. All parkruns are required to obtain a defibrillator if they don't already have one, and no new parkrun can start up unless they have access to one.

"I contacted Adam Fletcher at British Heart Foundation (BHF) Cymru and Chris Davies, parkrun ambassador for Wales. They told me that a CPR initiative had been started by BHFCymru and parkrun in Wales and had trained more than 100 volunteers, but they had slowed down due to a shortage of available trainers.

"I suggested we use the knowledge and skills of junior doctors across the parkrun community in Wales, who are already trained to perform CPR and basic life support as part of their jobs. I've recently recruited a group of junior doctors in a local hospital as trainers for these sessions and hope to build on this."

Adam Fletcher, Head of BHF Cymru, said: "I'm so grateful to Katie for all her support. If more people learn CPR, more lives can be saved. We know that every minute without cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and defibrillation reduces the chance of survival by up to 10 per cent."

Katie and her partner recently met the man who survived following his cardiac arrest when he returned to volunteer at Barry Island parkrun.

She said: "It was really emotional meeting him, seeing him looking well and helping out at the parkrun. It's spurred me on to pass on the message that having the skills to perform CPR means more lives can be saved."

BHF Cymru's Call Push Rescue CPR training kits are available in Welsh and English and are free to eligible Welsh secondary schools. They are also available to order by community groups and workplaces. For more information about CPR, visit: *www.bhf.org.uk*

Got a story?
Then get in touch with us -email
editorial@glamorgan-gem.co.uk
or call **01446 774484**

Bridgend's Industrial Estate

Professionals - Just a stone's throw away

Action Doors - more than 25 years experience

ACTION Doors is a local south Wales-based garage door and industrial door company, with more than 25 years experience in the industry.

Our specialist teams offer installations, or supply only, on all makes of residential garage doors and we operate a 24-hour emergency repair service. Our sales and garage door servicing team are on hand to offer friendly, impartial advice on replacement garage doors and on any new build installations.

Action Doors specialises in electric garage door operators and offers realistic prices for electric conversions. We also carry a large stock of garage doors spares for all the major garage and industrial door manufacturers, for servicing or repair of your current door.

We are able to supply a wide range of door services from design, manufacturing, installation, servicing and repair.

We are fully conversant with all types of industrial doors and residential garage doors and have garage doors in various styles, from traditional designs to Celtic doors.

At our head office and factory in Bridgend, we manufacture roller shutter doors. With the introduction of our own in-house forming mill, we can provide a same day door repair service for most impact-damaged doors.

We also hold a large stock of panels and spares for industrial sectional doors.

For a free, no obligation quotation on all new garage or industrial doors, please call our head office on 01656 659274.

actiondoors
South Wales Leading Industrial Door Manufacturer • Garage Door Specialists

BESPOKE INSULATED GARAGE DOORS installed, maintained & serviced

DOMESTIC GARAGE DOORS installed maintained & serviced

ROLLER SHUTTER DOORS installed maintained & serviced

For further information call now on
01656 659274 / 01446 439214
Unit 4, Ogmore Crescent,
Bridgend Industrial Estate, Bridgend CF31 3TE.
www.actiondoors.com
HENDERSON
Crawford

Offering you so much more...

MEMBERS of the public can sometimes get into a little bit of a rut, when it comes to buying the household goods that they need.

The natural first thought is the high street, or something with the word 'retail' in it – a retail park, perhaps.

Of course, those who know better are well aware that many of the best suppliers are not so visible – and are to be found on industrial estates.

On the Bridgend Industrial Estate, for instance, many of the businesses welcome retail customers, and more and more people are becoming aware of this. It's a competitive world, and companies have to offer a good deal to prosper. That is why it is well worth taking a good look at your local industrial estate. You may well find exactly what you need today there – and probably what you will need tomorrow too!

All you need at Riverside Hardware

RIVERSIDE Hardware remains a family concern under the management of MDs Russell John and Ryan Woodbridge.

We are well known throughout south Wales for our unrivalled range of fixings and fasteners, PPE and janitorial products. Riverside are one of the largest stockists of Draper Tools in the UK, with a large selection of hand and power tools, they are also the main dealer for Calor Gas in the area.

Riverside Hardware has the tools you need, no matter how demanding the job. With our showroom of over 5,000sq. ft, and our skilled team offering the product knowledge and customer service to match, no other supplier comes close.

Keltic Fires revamp will offer 'new and luxurious products'

AS we are approaching our fourth year in business at our Bridgend Industrial Estate showroom, we have decided to rejuvenate and revamp our shop with new and luxurious products.

This year we have seen the likes of the award winning Dru Maestro range installed in the showroom, and in the coming months we will see far more models and brands which will excite new and existing customers.

As we have over 20 years' experience in the industry we feel as though we have the right blend of contemporary and traditional products available to suit all needs and wants.

If clients are still struggling to find something suitable we offer free, on site visits to help with any questions and queries or to give exact prices.

Come down to Keltic Fires to see what we have to offer.

Matt Richards - showroom manager

Keltic fires
A WARM WELCOME AWAITS
PREMIER FIRE & FIREPLACE SHOWROOM
• Gas, Electric & Solid Fuel Fires
• Solid Timber Beams & Mantels
• High Quality Marble & Stone Surrounds
• Made to measure items • Flue Systems

Unit 2, New Street,
Bridgend Industrial Estate,
Bridgend, CF31 3UD
Call 01656 655984
info@kelticfires.co.uk
Keltic Fires LTD @KelticFires
www.kelticfires.co.uk
OPENING TIMES
Monday - Thursday: 9.30am - 4.30pm
Friday: 9.30am - 4pm
Saturday: 9.30am - 12.30pm
Sunday: Appointment only

Theodore's - the very apotheosis of reclamation yards..

HAVING a chat with the very personable Denis Theodore, we decide that the phrase 'Aladdin's Cave' is overused, and instead I shall call Theodore's Reclamation the summit, the acme, pinnacle, the apogee, the zenith, the very apotheosis of reclamation yards.

And it is. For someone like me who prefers old to new, and knows that chaps like Denis have been 'recycling' , 'reloving' and 'upcycling' since before the hipsters that use these words were born, it's like a toy shop. Slates? Yep. Doors? But of course. A chimney pot? Not a problem. Finials and crests? More than you can shake a stick at. Fires, hearths and beams? Oh yes...

Theodore's – on North Road in Bridgend Industrial Estate – is the place. If they don't have it, they can usually source it. If you have something to sell, they may wish to buy it.

I ask Denis about 'trends', and in addition to fires and fireplaces ("The things everyone was ripping out 30 years ago..." he says), the Green Man, a symbol of rebirth, is rather in vogue these days and enjoying its own second coming.

For the man, indeed woman, who thinks he or she has everything, a quick visit to Theodore Sons & Daughters will prove them wrong. An ideal, and very different, shopping experience.

Call 01656 648936 or visit *www.theodorereclamation.co.uk*

VISIT OUR FULLY STOCKED SALVAGE YARD
THEODORE & SONS & DAUGHTERS
Reclamation & Building Salvage
SLATE HEARTHS AND FLAGSTONES IN STOCK

RECLAIMED HARDWOOD MANTLES AND BEAMS IN STOCK
01656 648936
Bridgend Industrial Estate, Princes Way, off North Road
(rear of Celtic Tyres) CF31 3AQ.
www.theodorereclamation.co.uk
Open 7 days: Weekdays 8.30am-4pm. Saturday, Sunday 8.30am-12pm.

WALES' ONE AND ONLY PREMIER INDUSTRIAL SUPERSTORE....

A ONE STOP ENGINEERING STORE.

DISCOVER OUR NEW RANGE OF PORTABLE GAS HEATERS...

CALOR

SUPERSER RADIANT HEATER
Classic portable heater providing instant heat
£85.00
Buy together with a 12kg Butane gas bottle for £110.00, a saving of £53.49

PROVENCE
Stylish stove comes in matt black, gloss black, dark blue and cream.
£269.99
Buy together with a 12kg Butane gas bottle for just £299.99, a saving of £43.74.

MANHATTAN
Stylish and modern portable gas heater.
£199.99
Buy together with a 12kg Butane gas bottle for just £229.99, a saving of £43.75.

LIVING FLAME
£134.95
or £160.00 with a 12kg Butane Gas Bottle. A saving of £50.98.

SUPERSER RADIANT HEATER
£95.00
Buy together with a 12kg Butane gas bottle for £119.50, a saving of £54.00

riversidehardware & engineers supplies

Unit 3c, North Road, Bridgend Ind. Estate, Bridgend CF31 3TP.
Tel: 01656 662449. Fax: 01656 768375
Email: info@riversidehardware.co.uk
www. riversidehardware.co.uk

NEW WEBSITE NOW LIVE!

Open 6 days a week.
Monday-Friday
7am-5.30pm.
Saturday 8am-5pm.

BRIDGEND'S MAIN GAS DEALER

CALOR

Bottled gas available here for all your LPG requirements

Vale Mayor explains decision to abstain at budget meeting

THE Vale of Glamorgan Mayor, Cllr Leighton Rowlands, has explained why he abstained on budget proposals at an emergency meeting of the council.

The Vale Council is a Conservative-Independent administration, but Vale Leader, Cllr John Thomas, relied on Labour votes to get the budget and council tax increase of 4.9 per cent through last Friday, March 8.

A total of 11 Conservatives abstained on the budget vote and the Vale Mayor Cllr Rowlands, also a Conservative, explained: "As mayor it was very difficult for me to take the decision to abstain on the budget.

"As mayor, it is my duty to promote the interests and reputation of the council and the Vale as a whole and act as an ambassador for both. I was simply not satisfied that Vale council tax payers were getting value for money out of the proposed increase and saving targets were not being met.

"I had concerns about a range of issues and that's why I took the difficult decision to abstain on the budget." **TC**

Exciting plans for new Vale campuses

THE Vale Council and Cardiff and Vale College (CAVC) are working on ambitious proposals for two new multi-million-pound college campus developments – one at Barry Waterfront and the other at Cardiff Airport.

Next week, the council's cabinet will consider the sale of two pieces of land to the college, one located at the Innovation Quarter at the Waterfront and the other on land near the airport.

Cllr Jonathan Bird, cabinet member for regeneration and planning, said: "While negotiations are at an early stage the council is very keen to help Cardiff and Vale College realise its ambition of delivering two new state of the art college campuses in the Vale.

"The sites we have identified offer huge potential. Barry Waterfront is perhaps the most innovative urban regeneration project in Wales. It currently offers first class leisure opportunities, retail outlets and transport links, alongside a mix of housing. A sector-leading higher education campus would be yet another exciting development.

"Equally, development of the second site near to Cardiff Airport would be an exciting early step on developing an area that we see driving forward economic development in the Vale in the near future."

Mark Roberts, chief operating officer at CAVC, said: "We have an ambitious programme of investing in delivering innovative opportunities and facilities for learning in Cardiff and the Vale that will inspire current and future generations. The plans would be a major boost for the college, which is the third largest in the UK.

"This proposal features two brand new state-of-the-art campuses: one at Barry Waterfront which will offer a wide range of vocational and further education courses, and an aerospace and advanced manufacturing campus at Cardiff Airport with STEM centre, IT and cyber security courses."

The GEM understands the college would like to open both campuses in September 2022, but that learning would continue at existing Vale sites until that date so no learning or students would be disrupted.

Cake sale at church hall

A CHARITY cake sale will be held on Thursday, March 21 at Cadoxton Methodist Church Hall, Barry CF63 1JX with all money raised going to The Down Syndrome Association.

'Local politics is not about grabbing headlines'

Cllr John Thomas, the Leader of the Vale Council, on the recent council tax vote

BEING Leader of the Vale Council means having to take difficult decisions, especially in the context of year on year reductions in funding from Welsh Government.

It is grossly naïve to think that we can continue to provide essential local services without having to increase council tax and look at new ways of generating income.

That being said, if you look at council tax rises across Wales there are only three lower than that agreed for the Vale last week. Indeed our increase of only 4.9 per cent compares very favourably with authorities like Pembrokeshire (9.9 per cent), Conwy (9.6 per cent) and Powys (9.5 per cent), and a host of others who have gone over the 5 per cent mark.

My term as leader of a council has seen the council consistently outperform others in terms of the quality of services, while operating on a very lean budget; and I am very proud of the fact that in 2019/20 the Vale will have the sixth lowest council tax rate in Wales, despite receiving a very low level of funding from Welsh Government.

It was a shock to me when four of my Conservative colleagues voted against the budget. Not least because they had made no contribution to the public debate whatsoever. For colleagues to come out in the press now, saying that they had issues with the council tax increase and value for money for residents is rather disingenuous when this matter had been discussed in group meetings on a number of occasions, and no opposition to the figures was raised.

Cllr John Thomas.

The vote on the budget is one of the, if not the, most important decisions that the council makes during the year. Our inability to agree this at the first attempt caused not only embarrassment to the Conservative administration and the council as a whole but also made very real the possibility that we would fail to meet our legal obligations.

It was in this context that I met with members of the group immediately after the vote. I had hoped to agree a way forward. It became quickly clear, however, that I could not rely on their support.

It would have been irresponsible to go into the Special council meeting unsure of whether the budget would be approved, and it was against this context that cross party discussions were held; and I will make no apologies for reaching out to colleagues across the political spectrum when so much was at stake.

This was in the best interests of both the Vale of Glamorgan as a community and the council as an organisation. In setting a budget I have not given in to demands from those within the group or outside. I have listened, and engaged, and have sought at every step to ensure that the Vale maintains the excellent reputation that has been built up over the years.

Being Leader of the Council means making tough and sometimes unpopular decisions. Local politics is not a game. It is not about scoring political points. It isn't about grabbing headlines and it certainly isn't a PR exercise. While appearances may be a major concern for some, my biggest concern will always be the interests of those thousands of people who rely on council services every day.

This is how I have always operated and, given the opportunity, is how I will continue to run the council.

Sarah tackles her '42 at 42'

LOCAL resident Sarah Miles is taking on the London Marathon on April 28.

Sarah told The GEM: "I am using the tagline '42 at 42', because April 28 this year is my 42nd birthday so it seems fitting to run a 42km race on that day!"

Sarah is a managing director of the local organisation 'With Music In Mind' and says she has had amazing support from the group members.

She said: "The training schedule is gruelling and without the encouragement of my family, friends, colleagues, members of my choir Côr Bro Ogwr and the lovely With Music In Mind singers, it would be so difficult."

She ran the marathon 15 years ago in aid of Headway Cardiff and is looking forward to challenging her previous time with 15 years more mileage on the clock!

Sarah is raising money for local children's hospice Tŷ Hafan, the Vale-based charity that provides holistic palliative care for children with life-limiting conditions and their families from throughout Wales.

She is a committee member of the Elis Rose Legacy Fund, which so far has successfully raised over £11,000 for Tŷ Hafan.

Sarah Miles training for the London Marathon.

Sarah said: "My goal is to raise a further £2,000 for the charity through the London Marathon. I have a VirginMoneyGiving page which can be found by searching 'Sarah Miles 42 at 42', sponsorship forms and collection boxes in local shops such as the Tŷ Hafan shop in Cowbridge and Cowbridge leisure centre.

"The local primary school Y Bont Faen is going to have a non-uniform day just before the Easter holidays and beautiful harmonious singing duo Indigo May are putting on a concert on April 6 at 7.30pm in the Duke of Wellington, tickets are £10 each."

Travelodge has eyes on Penarth

PENARTH has been chosen as one of seven locations where Travelodge wants to open a hotel in an expansion programme that collectively represents an investment value of £45 million and will create 200 new jobs in Wales, including 25 jobs and an investment of around £7 million for third party investors in Penarth.

The other six locations on the Travelodge Wales expansion programme are Aberystwyth, Pwllheli, Swansea, Tenby, Torfaen/Blaenau and Wrexham.

A Travelodge spokesperson said: "Penarth has been identified as a key target area, as it is growing from strength to strength and attracting record visitor numbers. However, there remains a shortage of good quality, low cost accommodation.

"The new hotel would also help attract new visitors to the area and boost the local economy, as Travelodge research shows its customers spend on average double their room rate with local businesses, which equates to a multimillion spend annually."

For all the latest news from your area - glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Family's plea after 'cruel' theft of horses

ABOVE and RIGHT: The horses that were stolen.

A Vale resident has spoken of her disgust after two of her horses were stolen overnight on Friday, March 1.

Tequilla Huntley said: "The horses were stolen from a livery yard at Bonvilston.

"They are so beautiful and our absolute world. It's a disgusting thing to do.

"We are offering a reward for any valid information about this. They are very distinguishable and have very distinctive traits.

"I don't know what sort of person can do such a cruel thing.

"The next night the tack room was broken into and equipment such as rugs, saddles and bridles taken.

"I think the horses are probably still local and I'm appealing to local people to keep a lookout."

A South Wales Police spokeswoman said: "We are investigating the theft of two horses from a field near Springfield Lane, Bonvilston.

"The theft occurred sometime between 5.30pm on March 1 and 12.30pm on March 2. Both horses are brown in colour and stand at 16.3 hands.

"A number of items were also stolen from the stables including tack, two saddles, a Senci generator, a chainsaw and a hedge cutter."

Anyone with information is asked to call 101 quoting reference 1900079131 (horses) and 1900077142 (equipment) or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

News in brief

Penarth Local History Society

BRIAN Davies will give a talk on Cardiff's Forgotten Castles on Thursday, March 14 at All Saints' Church Lesser Hall, Penarth at 7.30pm.

Admission is £2 for non members. Please come along and support your local history society.

Art explained

LLANTWIT Major Art and Craft group will meet on Friday, March 15 at 7.30pm at Llantonian Hall.

Joan Hughes and Rhoda Luzio, two of the members, will give an interactive presentation entitled 'What is Art?' to include a thought provoking, informal discussion with a slide-show which encourages the audience to join in. Visitors are welcome to come along and join the group, which is very friendly and happy to share skills. A fee of £3 is payable on the night.

Lunchtime Concerts at All Saints Barry

The monthly series of Lunchtimes recitals continues this month, with an Recital by the Sixth Form Musicians at The Bishop of Llandaff High School on Saturday, March 16.

The students are all working incredibly hard prior to their A/AS Level Music Examination which is taking place later this month. The recital will feature singers, pianists, clarinetists to name a few.

AM's surgery

JANE Hutt AM will hold an advice surgery at the CAB Offices, 119 Broad Street, Barry, CF62 7TZ on Saturday, March 16 from 10am-11am.

‘It’s been muddy hell’ say Dinas Powys councillors

BARRATT Homes has apologised to residents in Dinas Powys following complaints about excessive amounts of mud and silt on local roads caused by construction traffic.

It said it is working closely with the Vale Council to “comply with all planning conditions” after being served with a formal notice.

The developer is building 215 houses at the former St Cyres School site and community councillors say that over the months, mud has coated Murch Road and Murch Crescent and splattered nearby cars.

Construction traffic from the development site goes straight into the village and community councillors have complained about excessive deposits of mud and silt on local roads.

Community councillor Chris Franks said: “It has taken six months of complaints from residents and Plaid community councillors to force the Vale Council to address the problem of mud and silt on Dinas Powys roads.

“The council has been timid and lacked resolve. The lack of effective action to protect residents has been a disgrace.

“At long last the county council has served a Section 187A notice on the developers BDW to properly implement planning conditions.

“The legal notice states that the developer has a month to address the breach of conditions.”

Wheel washing facilities were introduced at the Dinas Powys site, but Cllr Franks says the measure had not been effective enough: “The Vale Council states that the arrangements on site are not consistently preventing the depositing of mud and silt onto the public highway.

“In addition, the notice states there is no settlement pond or filtration system for the wheel wash and the road sweeper is not being deployed sufficiently.”

Steve Williams, the managing director of Barratt Homes South Wales, apologised to local residents for the inconvenience and said action was being taken to deal with the problem.

He said: “We always work to minimise the effects of construction and apologise to anyone who has been inconvenienced by work in Dinas Powys.

“We are working closely with Vale Council to ensure that we comply with all planning conditions and following recent bad weather we have made modifications to measures to minimise mud and silt deposits on the public highway.

“We have installed a tarmac surface to provide a smoother area for the jet-washing operation and installed a sump to collect any excess water running off the vehicles.

“The tyres of vehicles leaving the development during the day will continue to have their tyres cleaned by the jet-wash.”

Cllr Jonathan Bird, cabinet member for regeneration and planning at the Vale Council, said the council had been closely monitoring compliance at the development from the very start of construction.

He explained: “Our enforcement team has been working with the developer to overcome local residents’ concerns and has taken quick and decisive action to resolve breaches of the planning conditions when they have arisen.

“The council’s planning enforcement team contacted the developers on February 14 to specify a number of improvements required to keep the roads clean. This is the latest in a series of formal notices served on the developer.

“Subsequent site visits along with evidence provided by local residents made clear that initial improvements and attempts at compliance were simply not sufficient.

“While new arrangements for washing the wheels of vehicles leaving the site had been put in place, these were failing to ensure that excessive mud was not being deposited from the site onto the road.

“Consequently, on March 6, the Vale Council served the developer with their second Breach of Condition Notice.”

Cllr Bird added: “The developer has been given one month to ensure full compliance with the requirements of the notice. This is the minimum time allowed under planning legislation. Should the developer fail to comply with the requirements of the notice the council will consider a legal prosecution.”

TC

Vale Council unveils new parking plans

A new approach to parking management across the Vale is to be considered by the council’s cabinet on Monday, March 18, with the council looking to introduce further charging in some car parks and also ‘on street’ in resorts.

No charges would be introduced for ‘on street’ town centre parking under the proposals. The proposals would see parking remain free of charge for the first two hours as well as free parking on Sundays in all town centre car parks. Permits would be available for regular users. Charges would apply for stays of longer than two hours in town centre car parks but not on street.

All year round resort car park charges are proposed for car parks at Barry Island, Ogmore-by-Sea and Southerndown. These charges vary between peak and off-peak times and parking would be free before 8am with reduced tariffs after 4pm. On street parking charges would also be applied at the resorts of Barry Island and Penarth Esplanade.

Under the proposals, which have been produced by council officers following a public consultation exercise in 2018, charges would also be applied at the coastal car parks of Barry’s Cold Knap, Cwm Col Huw in Llantwit Major and at Penarth’s Cliff Walk. These new charges will for 2019/20 only apply during the summer season.

Annual passes would be available for all resort and coastal car parks.

Charges of between £1 and £3 would be applied to Cosmeston Lakes and Porthkerry Country Parks between 8am and 6pm. Again, a reduced price annual pass would be available.

Parking for cars displaying a blue badge would remain free of charge in all instances.

A spokesperson for the council said: “Maintaining the Vale’s car parks costs the council upwards of £300,000 each year and this does not include the costs of managing the resorts they support.

“As was widely acknowledged during the debate on the council’s budget for 2019/20, we have no alternative but to seek to raise additional income if we wish to continue to provide the services that we know our residents want and which bring visitors to the Vale.

“We have listened carefully to the views shared during the consultation and the policy proposed differs significantly from that proposed by Capita. Parking will be free for two hours in all town centre car parks and town centre on street parking will incur no charge at all. We have done all we can to ensure these charges do not penalise local residents and where new charges are being proposed we have ensured these will be competitive with neighbouring local authority areas.

“The new measures for residents’ parking permits will also ensure that where spaces are at a premium local residents can ensure they have preference for a very reasonable cost, with no restriction on the number of permits that each household can apply for.”

If approved on March 18, the council’s new parking policy is likely to come into effect later this year once the legal framework is in place.

TC

‘Tackling the problem of agricultural pollution’

THE issue of agricultural pollution is a concern for every farmer. A single pollution incident can cause huge harm to wildlife and the environment, while the steady, periodic or combined leaching of pollutants can lead to damaging concentrations of nitrates or other chemicals, resulting in problems such as algal blooms and the contamination of water supplies.

Rachel Saunders of the Farmers’ Union of Wales writes on Farming Matters.

Of course, pollution brings with it financial costs for farm businesses - whether directly, as a result of fines, or a result of the loss of valuable nutrients from soils and other adverse impacts.

Thankfully, the data available for agricultural pollution incidents from January 2010 to February 2018 shows only one per cent of farms in Wales to have been recorded as having a substantiated pollution incident; but some of those that have been attributed to farming were catastrophic, adding to existing pressures from members of the public, charities and other bodies to tighten up farming regulations.

Such pressures, which have been exacerbated by unusually wet periods in recent years, come against a background of legislative pressure due to Nitrate Vulnerable Zone and Water Framework Directive legislation.

For these reasons, the FUW has worked with others for decades to help address agricultural pollution in a proportionate and targeted way.

In recent years, a large proportion of this work has been through the FUW’s membership of the Welsh Land Management Forum (WLMF), chaired by Natural Resources Wales, and in particular the WLMF agricultural pollution sub-group, which has met monthly over the past two years.

Following a consultation on the expansion of Wales’ Nitrate Vulnerable Zones and a request from Welsh Government Cabinet Secretary Lesley Griffiths in April 2018, the group submitted a detailed report and 45 recommendations to the Cabinet Secretary.

While work by the group continued, with a particular emphasis on targeting actions in areas where problems are known to exist, it seems that the work of the Welsh Government ground to a halt in terms of considering the recommendations or the results of a programme of NRW farm visits aimed at identifying problems and appropriate solutions.

Lesley Griffiths has neither met with the group nor responded to the recommendations. Rather, the Welsh Government announced in November that it intends to bring forward legislation for the whole of Wales which is, to all intents and purposes, a cut-and-paste of the NVZ rules – increasing the number of Welsh farm holdings subject to costly and restrictive legislation from an estimated 600 to more than 24,000.

While there are problems that must be addressed, such a move is wholly disproportionate, and would undermine efforts to target pollution in those areas where action is needed, while adding huge costs and burdens in vast areas where no problems exist.

The GEM asked the Welsh Government to comment and The Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs, Lesley Griffiths, said: “Failure to tackle the issue of agricultural pollution would be highly damaging for Wales; in terms of its reputation, on the environment and for Wales’ future trading arrangements post-Brexit.

“The appropriate and fair way to deal with the issue of agricultural pollution in Wales is to tackle it at source, with measures aimed at dealing with poor practice which is still seen far too frequently across Wales.

“I have welcomed the recommendations made by the Wales Land Management Forum sub-group (WLMF) and we are already implementing a number of them.

“It remains the intention of the Welsh Government to establish the right balance of measures and officials from relevant departments meet with the WLMF on a monthly basis. The proposed regulations are proportionate, based upon good practice recommendations and will play an important role, alongside other measures, in helping address agricultural pollution in Wales.”

News in brief

Celebrating ‘spring equinox’

ON Wednesday, March 20 from 6.30pm to 7.30pm, there will be a ‘Happy Days’ event at the Knap Lake and Gardens in Barry.

Artist Glyn Pooley said: “Come along and celebrate International Day of Happiness and the spring equinox with Art4U. Share a joke, a gift, an artwork or just your beautiful smile. Anything you think that can help create happiness for someone.

“We will be joined by the fabulous Porthkerry Community Choir. We meet at the ‘Tree of Friendship’ and will take a gentle walk around the lake. It’s free and everyone is welcome.”

Councillors’ surgery

THE Labour Councillors for Buttrills, Cadoc, Castleland and Court Wards, will hold their regular monthly advice surgery on Saturday, March 16 in the Small Community Room, Barry Library, King Square from 10am until 11am. No appointment is necessary.

What’s on and where?

Messy Church in Penarth

Messy Church is back at All Saints Church in Victoria Square, Penarth, this Sunday, March 17, from 4pm to 5.30pm.

There will be a range of craft activities and games for all ages on the theme of Jesus being tempted by the devil in the wilderness, followed by a short time of worship and a cooked tea for all. Admission is free although donations are welcomed.

For more information visit allsaintspenarth.org.uk.

Llantwit surgery

LLANTWIT First Independents hold surgeries at the Heritage Centre, Town Hall, Llantwit Major on the first and third Saturdays of every month, including holidays.

The surgeries commence at 9.30am and end at 11.30am, when residents are welcome to attend. The next surgery is on Saturday, March 16 and we look forward to discuss any issues with you.

What’s on and where?

Messy Church

MESSY Church will be held on Sunday, March 17 in the Reading Room, Bonvilston (opposite Old Village Shop) at 2.30pm until about 4pm.

We extend a warm welcome to youngsters (and toddlers with their parents); there will be activities for all the family; lots of crafty things to make, a Bible story, some singing and refreshments.

We would be delighted if you could join us; further info from Rev Lee Dutfield on 07784 869020; Canon Martyn Davies on 01446 760498 or Ann Roach on 01446 781309.

Diabetes event

THE Vale of Glamorgan Diabetes UK voluntary group will meet on Tuesday, March 19 in the Board Room, Llandough Hospital, Penarth at 7.30pm-9pm.

The speaker will be Dr Julia Platts, Consultant in medicine and diabetes and our group president will give an informative presentation and answer questions. Anyone welcome!

Crafts in Rhoose

RHOOSE Adult Craft Group Open Day takes place on Saturday, March 23 from 1pm-5pm at Celtic Way Community Centre, Rhoose.

Free entry; crafts for sale, lots of crafts to try. New members always welcome.

Whist drive

Every Wednesday at St Athan in Old School Hall (behind Lifestyle shop), a whist drive takes place at 7.30pm; entrance fee £2 (includes tea/coffee and biscuits), optional raffle.

NEW PRICE

Daniel Hopkin Close, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. No Chain.
Kitchen/Diner
Driveway. Garage.
£224,950 D64

Sea View Place, Llantwit Major
3 Bedrooms
Driveway
No Chain
£209,950 D56

Bedford Rise, Llantwit Major
3 Bedrooms
Double Driveway
Impressive Garden
£169,950 D61

Heol Cae Gwyn, St Brides Major, Bridgend
3 Beds. 2 Recps
Superb Presentation
Countryside Views
£274,950 D61

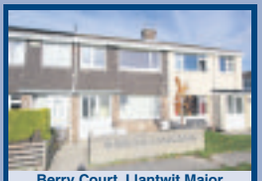
St. David's Avenue, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. Workshop
Log Burner
Sought After Location
£199,950 D63

Gildas Close, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. 2 Recps.
Extended. En-Suite.
No Chain. GCH Combi.
£219,950 D68

Ash Lane, St Athan
3 Bedrooms
Conservatory
Impressive Rear Garden
£149,950 E43

Eagleswell Road, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. Kitchen/Diner
Renovated Throughout
Ideal First Time Buy
£149,950 E48

Eurgan Close, Llantwit Major
3 Bedroom Semi
Very Well Presented
Sought After Location
£225,000 C70



Berry Court, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. No Chain
Kitchen/Diner
Renovated in 2018
£139,950 D67

Crawshay Drive, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. Driveway
Kitchen/Diner
Renovated Thoughout
£144,995 C72

Mount Pleasant House, Llanmaes
3 Beds. 2 Bathrooms
Conservatory
Countryside Views
£329,950 D59

SSTC

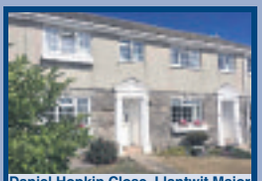
Shackleton Close, St Athan
3 Bedrooms
Kitchen/Diner
No Forward Chain
£97,950

Beaconsfield, Wick
3 Bedrooms
Show Home Standard
Ideal First Time Buy
£214,500 B83

Lougher Place, St Athan
3 Bedrooms
Well Presented
Quiet Location
£134,950

Mallory Close, St Athan
2 Bedrooms
Conservatory
On edge of Development
£104,950

Heol Ger Y Felin, Llantwit Major
3 Beds. Shower Room/WC.
Extended. Conservatory.
Superb Presentation.
£229,950 D66



Daniel Hopkin Close, Llantwit Major
3 Bedrooms
No Forward Chain
Fronting onto Sea View Park
£229,950

Drake Close , St Athan
3 Bedrooms
Corner Plot
Driveway. Garage
£179,950 D61

PERSIMMON
Together, we make a home

Heritage Gate
An exclusive new development of 2,3,4 and 5 bedroom homes
From £164,995
Contact Sharon on 07587 037988 Tues - Sat

Monmouth Way, Llantwit Major
3 Bedrooms
Superb Kitchen/Diner
Cloakroom/WC
£239,950 D65

Carne Court, Llantwit Major
3 Bedrooms
Cloakroom/WC
Popular Location
£139,950 D63

Brecon Street, Llantwit Major
3 Bedrooms
Fully Renovated
Off road Parking
£159,950 C74

Chris Davies

Rhoose 01446 711900
Llantwit Major 01446 792020
Barry 01446 700007
sales@chris-davies.co.uk

Lets!

Shakespeare Drive
LLANTWIT MAJOR

Three Bedrooms
Modern Kitchen
Shower
Council Tax Band C.
EPC C71.

£675pcm

Landlords
RENTAL PROPERTIES NEEDED
Call Dawn on 01446 791857

For Lettings enquiries call
01446 792020
option 2
lettings@chris-davies.co.uk

arla | propertymark PROTECTED
naea | propertymark PROTECTED
chris-davies.co.uk

War doctor speaks in Penarth

SURGEON David Nott visited Penarth on February 28 to talk about his experiences over more than two decades, volunteering his skills in the world's most dangerous war zones. Hosted by Griffin Books at the Glamorganshire Golf Club, the event drew a sell-out crowd of over 120 people, all keen to hear his story.

Bookshop owner Mel Griffin interviewed Dr Nott about his recently published book, *War Doctor*, extracts from which had been read daily that week on BBC Radio 4. Dr Nott has completed an incredible 27 humanitarian missions, from Sarajevo to Syria, putting his own life at risk on numerous occasions.

He also played a key part in the international diplomacy leading to the successful evacuation of remaining civilians and medical professionals from East Aleppo in 2016. The event ended with a standing ovation for Dr Nott.

Griffin Books would like to thank the audience, who donated more than £360 for the David Nott Foundation, the charity established by Dr Nott and his wife to provide specialised training in trauma surgery to local doctors in conflict zones.

Signed copies of *War Doctor* are available from Griffin Books.

12x3

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG
Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act, 1990
Town and Country Planning
(Development Management Procedure) (Wales)
Order 2012

Listed Building Consent / Caniatâd Adeilad Rhestredig

Application No:/Rhif y cais: 2019/00183/LBC
Proposal:/Cynnig: Retrospective application for replacement bay window to top floor rear elevation of property
Location:/Lleoliad: 4, Plymouth Road, Penarth
Listed Building:/Adeilad Rhestredig Grade II

Application No:/Rhif y cais: 2019/00200/LBC
Proposal:/Cynnig: Partial reinstatement of roof and ceiling at The Rectory House, Peterson Super Ely
Location:/Lleoliad: The Rectory House, Peterson Super Ely
Listed Building:/Adeilad Rhestredig Grade II

Application(s) of General Interest / Ceisiadau o Ddiddordeb Cyffredinol

Application No:/Rhif y cais: 2019/00170/FUL
Proposal:/Cynnig: 10 affordable residential flats
Location:/Lleoliad: 21, Porthkerry Road, Barry

Application No:/Rhif y cais: 2019/00220/FUL
Proposal:/Cynnig: Residential development comprising 14 new dwellings
Location:/Lleoliad: Land North West of Bendrick Road, Barry

Details may be inspected for 21 days at the address given below, or via http://vogonline.planning-register.co.uk/

Dated / Dyddiedig: 14 March, 2019

V. L. Robinson

Operational Manager, Regeneration and Planning, Vale of Glamorgan Council, Dock Office, Barry.

CF63 4RT

Gall manylion eu harchwilio am 21 diwrnod yn y cyfeiriad a roddir isod, neu drwy

http://vogonline.planning-register.co.uk/

Looking to advertise in over 45,000 newspapers AND online - email sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk or call 01446 774484

Campbell Court, St Nicholas

£185,500
(70% of market price through Newydd's shared equity scheme).

- Delightful rural village location
- Exclusive to first-time buyers
- 2 bedrooms
- Brand new fitted kitchen and bathroom
- Built by Waterstone Homes
- 10 year NHBC warranty
- Patio doors to garden
- 2 parking spaces

Email homesforsale@newydd.co.uk

Call Chris on 02920 005510

www.newydd.co.uk/our-homes

Brighter Moves

Zoopla rightmove OnTheMarket PrimeLocation.com

Fees that please!

LLANTWIT MAJOR

£190,000
25 Maes Illtuds, CF61 2SD
THREE BEDROOMS,SEMI DETACHED, OPEN VIEWS TO THE REAR,GAS CENTRAL HEATING,EN SUITE,DOWNSTAIRS W.C.

BOVERTON

£229,995
3 Leigh Close, CF61 1UL
FOUR BEDROOM,TWO RECEPTIONS ROOMS,UTILITY ROOM & DOWNSTAIRS WC,SOUTH FACING REAR GARDEN

LLANTWIT MAJOR

£185,000
9 Maes Illtuds, CF61 2SD
THREE BEDROOM,DRIVEWAY AND GARAGE, REAR GARDEN,END LINK PROPERTY,NO ONWARD CHAIN,PVCU DOUBLE GLAZING

LLANTWIT MAJOR

£225,000
7 Cambrian Avenue, CF61 1QU
NEW KITCHEN AND BATHROOM,THREE BEDROOM,GARAGE,OFF ROAD PARKING,SOUTH FACING REAR GARDEN

BOVERTON

£131,995
10 Flint Avenue, CF61 2GH
THREE BEDROOMS,FREEHOLD,UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING,GARAGE IN SEPARATE BLOCK,GAS CENTRAL HEATING

LLANTWIT MAJOR

£149,995
22 Dyfrig Court, CF61 2GA
THREE BEDROOM,UTILITY ROOM & DOWNSTAIRS WC,UPVC DOORS AND WINDOWS,GAS CENTRAL HEATING

LLANTWIT MAJOR

£229,995
18 Four Acre, CF61 2XN
LOFT CONVERSION WITH BATHROOM, CONSERVATORY,THREE BEDROOM, GARAGE,OFF ROAD PARKING

LLANTWIT MAJOR

£65,000
6 Waterfall Mews, CF61 1BA
PARK HOME,TWO BEDROOMS, GARDEN,ALLOCATED PARKING

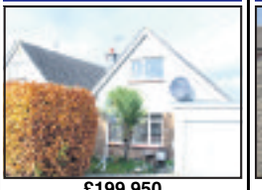
COLWINSTON

£439,950
Trewergie, CF71 2ND
OIL-FIRED CENTRAL HEATING,UTILITY ROOM,2 BATHROOMS,4 RECEPTION ROOMS, FOUR BEDROOM,VILLAGE LOCATION

LLANTWIT MAJOR

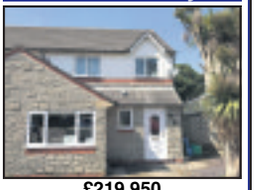
£199,950
11 Heol y Fro, CF61 2SA
NO CHAIN,OFF ROAD PARKING,GAS CENTRAL HEATING,GARDENS FRONT AND REAR, CONSERVATORY,THREE BED SEMI DETACHED

ST ATHAN



£199,950
36 Tathan Crescent, CF62 4PE
GAS CENTRAL HEATING,UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING,OFF ROAD PARKING,GARAGE, ANNEX,3 BEDROOMS,DETACHED HOUSE

LLANTWIT MAJOR



£219,950
8 Gildas Close, CF61 2SL
NO ON GOING CHAIN,EN SUITE, FREEHOLD,SEMI-DETACHED,CONVERTED GARAGE,EXTENDED,THREE BEDROOMS

Free Valuation, For Sale Boards, Floor Plans, Accompanied Viewings and Internet Advertising
www.brightermoves.co.uk • E-Mail: info@brightermoves.co.uk

1 Pound Field, Llantwit Major, CF61 1DL.
01446 794433.
119a Wyndham House, Wyndham Street, Bridgend,
CF31 1EF. 01656 655936.

BRINSONS & BIRT

TRUSTED SINCE 1900

brinsons.co.uk

/brinsons @brinsons

Orchard Walk, St Athan

- Delightful Cul-De-Sac Location
- Attractive Westerly Outlook to Rear
- Completed in 2017 with Many Extras
- Well Fitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Detached Garage
- Immaculate Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Three Living Rooms
- Two Bathrooms
- Driveway Parking

£325,000

The Swallows, Peterston Super Ely

- Deceptively Spacious Detached
- Five Bedrooms
- Stunning Rural Views
- Excellent Village Facilities
- Access to Major Centres
- Set in c.2 acres
- Three Reception Rooms
- Two Bathrooms
- Private Location
- Detached Twin Garages

£700,000

Badgers Brook Close, Ystradowen

- Well Appointed Detached
- Three Living Rooms
- Double Glazed
- Lovely Large Garden
- Tiny Cul-De-Sac
- Four Bed/Two Bath
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Mains Gas Central Heating
- Double Garage
- Village Facilities

£425,000

New Forest View, Cowbridge

- Extensive Detached Property
- Impressive Glass Fronted Sitting Room
- Excellent Local Facilities
- Cowbridge School Catchment
- Walk into Cowbridge Town Centre
- Three Reception Rooms
- Four Bedrooms
- Large Garden
- EPC Rating - D

£615,000

Northcliffe Rise, Dyffryn

- Extensive Property
- Set in circa 3.5 acres
- Fantastic Countryside Views
- Brilliant Semi Rural Location
- In Need of Modernisation and Repair
- Former Commercial Dog Kennels
- Four Bedrooms
- Easy access to Cowbridge and Barry

£595,000

Thurlestone House , Llancarfan

- Quality Individual Detached
- Five Bedrooms
- Four Living Rooms
- Pretty Gardens
- Highly Regarded Village
- Good Sized Family House
- Three Bathrooms
- Large Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Double Garage
- EPC Rating - D

£775,000

Croft Street, Cowbridge

- CHAIN FREE!
- Stylish Period Features
- Two Reception Rooms
- Short Stroll into Cowbridge Town Centre
- Victorian Town Cottage
- Three Bedrooms
- Superb Bathroom
- EPC Rating - D

£289,950

Boverton Road, Llantwit Major

- Development Potential for Two Dwellings
- Modernisation and Part Re-build of Existing Property
- Brand New Four Bedroom Detached
- Situated off a Private Driveway
- Town Centre Location

£450,000

St Owains Crescent, Ystradowen

- Traditional Mid Link Property
- Three Reception Rooms
- Renovated Throughout
- Quiet Village Location
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Stylish Modern Kitchen
- Gas Combination Central Heating
- Cowbridge School Catchment

£255,000

Broadway, Cowbridge

- Modern Semi-Detached
- Large Reception Room
- Gas Combination Central Heating
- Off Road Parking
- Two Bedrooms
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Double Glazing
- Garage

£225,000

Cowbridge
01446 771777

OnTheMarket.com rightmove ARLA NAEA RICS

Aerials, Digital, Satellite and TV Repairs

ONE VISION
DIGITAL AERIAL & SATELLITE SERVICES INSTALLATIONS

SONOS WiFi Wireless Sound Systems Supplied and Installed

Free Sky TV Dish & Sky Box Installation
Ring for Latest Subscription Package Deals
£80 CASH BACK for any New Sky Customer Taking a Subscription Package

SKY Repairs, adjustments and Installations.
✓ Domestic & Commercial
✓ Discounts For Oaps
✓ 24 Hour 7 Days Service
✓ 12 Month Guarantee
✓ RDI Approved Installers

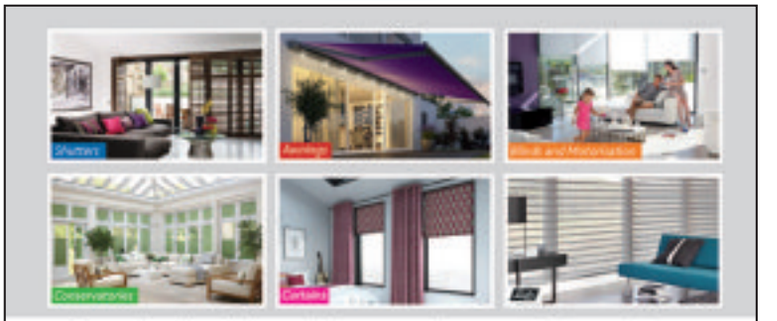
FREE ESTIMATES
SAME DAY SERVICE

Digital TV Aerials Supplied & Installed at competitive prices
CAT V extensions for Broadband and Smart TV
Get HD Picture Quality into every room via CAT V

Is Your Aerial Installer...?
Confederation of Aerial Installers Certified? Police Checked? Using Industry Benchmark Aerials, Cables and Accessories?
ONE VISION ARE!
Wall Mounted TV Installation Specialists
visit our website for examples

Call Paul Williams
Cowbridge 01446 439 306 Bridgend 01656 349 281
www.onevisionltd.co.uk

Blinds and Curtains



Create the Mood for your home for less than you think with Solar Sunshades.
Shutters | Awnings | Blinds and Motorisation | Conservatories | Curtains

Cardiff showroom
Gripsy Mills Retail Park, Sloper Road, Cardiff CF11 8AA
Barry: 01446 438103

Bridgend showroom
North Road, Bridgend Industrial Estate, Bridgend CF31 3TP
Bridgend: 01656 349473

www.solarsunshades.co.uk
solar Create the Mood

1st Digital Aerials
LOCAL DIGITAL AERIAL SPECIALIST
Digital Aerials Installed & Repaired.
Set Up and Tune In Service.
Problems with:
• Missing Channels • Freezing • Breaking Up
Call Adrian on 07999 331 160 or 01446 743267
www.1st-digital.co.uk

SPECIAL OFFER £80 Complete Installation plus £30 per additional room

Building Services

MIKE ANDERSON
BUILDERS EXTRAORDINAIRE
BUILDING & ROOFING SPECIALIST

- Renovations
- Slate & Roof Tiling
- Timber Framed Houses
- Barn or Loft Conversions
- Conservatories
- UPVC Windows & Doors
- Wetrooms and all invalidity
- Bathrooms & Showers

NO JOB TOO SMALL!

Call now for a FREE estimate
01656 771870 / 07976 720368
Email: MAbuilders2015@outlook.com
Call Becky on 01656 713692

BLIND SALE!
STARLINE
Awnings & Blinds
Unit 3 & 4, Western Industrial Estate, Caerphilly CF83 1BQ • www.starline-blinds.co.uk
TEL (029) 2086 0631
GENUINE 15% OFF SALE

Building Services

BARRY & VALE DAMP & TIMBER TREATMENT
SOLVING ALL YOUR DAMP PROBLEMS
07970 642537
www.barryandvaledampproofing.co.uk

Bricklayer looking for work
20 years experience. No job too small.
Garden walls, extensions, patios, conservatory base, all building work considered.
All work guaranteed.
Tel: 07896 335165.

STANTON CONSTRUCTION
LOCAL • HONEST • RELIABLE
Covering all building work

- New Roofs/ Repairs
- Rendering
- Guttering
- UPVC Windows
- Bathrooms
- Plastering
- Driveways
- Paving/Tarmac
- Walls/Patios
- Fencing/Decking
- Gravel/Turf
- Landscaping

Free Estimates & Advice 01446 489368
Cardiff House, Cardiff Rd, Barry CF632AW

3 GOOD REASONS
1 FREE Fitting
2 FREE Quotation
3 5 Year Guarantee
Freephone: 08085 295192

MIRAGE BLINDS
Winter Offers
Vertical, Roller & Venetian Blinds up to 20% off
Visit our website www.mirage-blinds.co.uk

MASONWISE BUILDERS
☎ 01446 742928
Established since 1979
• Disabled Grant Work
• Roofing & Repairs
• Conservatories
• Patio & Drives
• Garden Walls
No Job Too Small
Free Estimates
44 Newlands Street, Barry

Carpet Cleaning

The most thorough carpet cleaning ever seen - or it's FREE!
10% discount for over 50s.
Carpet & upholstery cleaning, leather cleaning & rug cleaning.
Tel: 07568 370835

Computer Services

Fast, reliable computer repairs
Home or Business.
Bring to us or onsite service.
Virus problems, data recovery, Internet issues etc.
Covering the Vale and surrounding areas.

HDCS We've got covered
Unit 37a, Vale Business Park, Llandow, CF71 7PF.
Tel 01446 333330 www.hdcs.co.uk

Decorating Services

TRUE COLOURS
Painter & Decorator Interior & Exterior
City & Guilds Certified
25 years experience
Wallpaper specialist
Free Estimates
Quality Guaranteed
07873 326 892
01446 402 708
email: truecoloursdecorators1@gmail.com

Decorating Services

JJ Painters Decorators
• Painting Specialist
• Qualified Traders
• Plumbing/Tiling
• Barry based
07807 997741
Call 9am - 9pm (7 days)

Double Glazing

GD Windows
Doors, Conservatories, Fascia, Soffits & Guttering all at competitive prices
For your free no obligation quote call Gareth on 07828 845954 or 01656 742334
Full window & door repair service also available

WELSH WINDOW SYSTEMS
Est 1987
Installation and repairs to all UPVC & aluminium windows & doors
01656 500444
07877 836798

The GEM
01446 774484

Carpentry

LYNX CARPENTRY
All aspects of carpentry work undertaken
Kitchens, Bedrooms, UPVC Windows
07925 577241

Carpets

VALE CARPETS
The Carpet Shop that comes to you
100's of Carpet & Vinyl samples
Established since 1980
Also Carpet, Upholstery Cleaning
Tel: Paul Wright
01446 751152
07811 092477

Computer Services

AB COMPUTER SERVICES
TUITION - BROADBAND
WIRELESS NETWORKS
REPAIRS & INSTALLATION
For home or office
Tel: 07811 422 946
www.cowbridge-it.co.uk

Decorating Services

NH Painter & Decorator
a name you can trust
INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR
Weekend Calls Welcome
Time served, qualified, professional, fast, clean worker, all insurance work undertaken
T 01446 772702
M 07505 979078
www.nhdecorating.co.uk
nhurleypd@googlemail.com

www.daisydecoratingand design.com
❀ Female run business
❀ Interior painting & wall papering service
Phone Joy on 07754 809090

Inexpensive Painting
Exterior & Interior
Using Quality Paint
Tel: 01656 741586
07704 535802

Advertisers please note: to appear in the following week's edition, Telephone 01446 774484.
email: sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

There's lots more online...

DON'T FORGET OUR CLASSIFIED DEADLINE IS
12 NOON TUESDAY
Call Kate on 01446 774484
or email kate.aldridge@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Double Glazing

WINDOW AND DOOR REPAIR SERVICE

OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN ALL ASPECTS OF uPVC AND ALUMINIUM WINDOW AND DOOR REPAIR

Do you have any of the following problems...?

Misted-up Double Glazing • Broken Hinges
Seized Patio Door Rollers • Faulty door Locks
Seized Handles • Draughts • Leaks, etc
If so phone for a free estimate and advice

COWBRIDGE 07889 311330

We offer a competitive and friendly service to the Vale and surrounding area.

We are Cowbridge based, covering all areas of the Vale of Glamorgan, together with Bridgend.

8am - 8pm (7 days)

Window Tec UK

• Window and Door Repair •

Electrical Services

A&C Electrical Solutions

Domestic Appliance repairs.
Appliances not removed.
Appointment times given
Over 30 years experience
Covering Penarth to Porthcawl
Card payments accepted.
07732 264 803 24 Hr

YARDLEY ELECTRICAL SERVICES

- Reliable, quick, trustworthy
- Domestic & commercial
- NICEIC approved
- Landlord certificates
- PAT testing

07702 386567
www.yardleyelectricalservices.biz

REPAIRS

Washing Machines
Electric Cookers,
Tumble Driers, etc
Repaired in your own home
0800 2984518
Barry 744117

ELECTRICAL REPAIRS

Washing Machines, Cookers, Fridge/Freezers, Tumble Dryers, Ovens, Hobs, Hoods. Built-in or Freestanding Appliances.
APPLIANCE CENTRE
01446 700206/730884

Fascias & Guttering

Fascia&Guttering DIRECT

- Guttering
- Downpipes
- Cladding
- Soffit

t.01656 670 311
m.07761 282 202
Swish

Exterior Cleaning

VCS

Vale Cleaning Services
Gutter Cleaning & Clearance
Window Cleaning,
Jet Washing,
Conservatories Valeted,
External Painting.
Call 07723 612876

The GEM
01446 774484

CCMS (Wales) Ltd

GUTTER CLEANING FASCIA WASH & WINDOW CLEANER
01446 741460
07830 480569

Garage Doors

GARAGE DOORS REPAIRED

- Specialist Garage Door repair Service
- Same Day & Next Day Service
- Garage Doors Parts Supplied/Installed
- Emergency Call Out
- All Types of Garage Doors Fixed

CALL NOW FOR A FREE QUOTE
07754 496 209
If we can't repair your garage door, there will be nothing to pay.

GARAGE DOOR SERVICES

In the Vale serving the Vale

All types of doors supplied, fitted & repaired
Over 20 years experience.
Same day repairs. Est 2007.
07783 703366
01446 743181
www.gdsdoors.co.uk

Fencing Services

THE FENCING DOCTOR

All types of fencing undertaken.
New fencing & repairs carried out.
Supply & fix available.
New gates supplied & fixed.
Grass cutting.
Free quotation.
Work guaranteed.
Call Graham
07969 039358

James Neilson
Fencing, Decking & Landscaping Services

All aspects of Fencing and Decking undertaken.
No hard sales just a chance to quote. **Free quotation.**
Find us on facebook. Rated People
01446 402765
07540 117474

DECKRIGHT
Decking & Fencing Specialists

Decking, Fencing, Side Entrance Gates, Supply & Erect, Free Quotations.
Feather Edge Fencing from £45 per metre, 4x4 posts, 3x2 rails, 5 inch feather edge boards. All timber pressure treated (tantalised).
FOR A FREE ESTIMATE, CALL ANDREW ON 07796 091035

DON'T DO IT YOURSELF...
...CALL A PROFESSIONAL FROM OUR A-Z LIST!

Advertisers please note:
to appear in the following week's edition,
Telephone 01446 774484.
email: sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Gardening Services

LUMBERJACKS
TREE & GARDEN SERVICES
CITY & GUILDS QUALIFIED
City & Guilds NPTC

ALL WORK IS TO THE LATEST BRITISH STANDARDS BS-3998-2010
Call for all your Tree, Hedge and Shrub needs
For a completely free no obligation quote

- 2 million pounds Public Liability Insurance
- All credentials happily produced on request
- All waste generated removed within quotations
- All fence work and gravel patches

Call Dion on 01446 728197

SEASONED & SPLIT MIXED FIREWOOD £60 1 CUBIC M³ LOOSE
SEASONED & SPLIT HARDWOOD £80 1 CUBIC M³

Free local delivery

FOUR SEASONS GARDENING

Call Lee on
Tel: 07834 386264
E-Mail: four-seasons-gardening@outlook.com

The GEM
01446 774484

NDP GARDEN and PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Grass Cutting, Weeding
Shrubs & Hedges Trimmed,
Tree Felling, Fencing,
Patios, Turfing
Gutters & Facias Cleaned
Power Washing

- *Free Estimates*
- *Reliable Family Team*

01446 773935
or 07773 992704

N.THOMAS LANDSCAPES

- All aspects of tree work & landscaping
- Artificial lawn specialist
- Fully insured
- Free quotations

Tel Nathan 01446 679648
or 07717 296697

T&O Landscape Gardening & General Building

Lawns Cut • Hedges Cut
• General Tidy-Up
• Rubbish Removal
• No Job Too Small
01446 407246
07890 332358

The GEM
01446 774484

Gas Services

Andrew Allen
Gas & Plumbing Limited

A family run business for your family needs!

Gas Boiler Service £50
Landlord Gas Certificates £50
All gas fires and surrounds installed
All gas appliances installed and repaired
Gas Central Heating upgrades

Gas Fire Service £40

Call:
07891 348113
07740 518131
Find us on Facebook

All major credit cards accepted

Handyman

K.R.L. Property Maintenance

No Job too small • CRB/DBS Checked

All types of home maintenance covered, including Painting, Decorating, Wallpapering, Gardening, Fencing, Tiling, Window Cleaning and many more.

FREE ESTIMATE • FULLY INSURED
BARRY & SURROUNDING AREAS • 07792 024743

Logs

FIREWOOD
Seasoned & Kiln Dried
Call 01446 771567
for bulk winter deals
www.topstak.co.uk
Buy 90 handy bags at £5.95 each get 1 free!
Topstak

Plastering

GUY FORD
Quality Plastering Service
Specialising in Coverage of Artex Ceilings
FREE QUOTES
07812093098

SMALL ADS
BIG RESULTS!

Gardening Services

Arborwood Tree Care

• Tree Pruning • Crown Lifting • Tree Felling • Dangerous Tree Work • Pollarding • Deadwooding • Hedge Cutting • Tree Dismantling • Root Pruning • Ground Clearance

Call us for a friendly, free quote, fully insured
Tel: 07910 417471 or 01446 792262
Seasoned Hard Wood For Sale

pr gardens

Transform Your Garden • Free Expert Advice
Landscaping
Patios
Fencing Specialist
Tree Felling
Gravel Areas
Decking including UPVC
Full Design Service
Excellent References & Portfolio
T: 01446 413945 M: 07971 888151
E: info@prgardenservices.co.uk

NEED A TREE SURGEON?

All tree work undertaken
Fully insured
City & Guilds Qualified
www.ArbCymru.co.uk
TEL: 01656 646017 MOB: 07813869615

RIVERLEA Horticulture

WE SELL THE BEST AND SERVICE THE REST
LAWN MOWERS - RIDE-ONS - CHAINSAWS - STRIMMERS
HEDGECUTTERS AND GARDEN ACCESSORIES
Husqvarna STIHL VIKING and now Westwood
Most makes serviced and repaired
Collection service available
Vale Business Park, Llandow, Cowbridge CF71 7PF
Tel: 01446 775602

Plumbing Services

JSH Plumbing & Heating

Boiler & central heating installations
Gas safety certificates & boiler services
All plumbing work undertaken
30 years experience
JSH Tel 07748 237666 Safe

L D S Plumbing and Heating

Boiler Service and Repairs
Gas Installations
Landlord Gas Safety Certificate
Cooker Install and Service
Property Maintenance
t: 01656 890 053
m: 07812 544 470
e: ldsplumbingandheating@gmail.com
Safe
Liam Smith

Chris Davies Plumbing & Heating

Gas Boiler Installations
Full Heating & Bathroom Installations
Boiler Breakdown Repairs
City & Guilds Safe
www.heatingvale.co.uk
07723024765

dc plumbing

- NO call out charge
- Flexible hours
- No job too small
- Bathroom and Tiling

Call Dave on
Tel: 01446 413971
Mob: 07792 639909

JW Bathrooms

- Plumbing • Tiling
- Plastering • Wet Rooms

Free estimates
No job too small
01446 400225
07866 470754

The GEM
01446 774484

Call 01446 774484 to advertise with The GEM, and reach 45,000 homes from Penarth to Porthcawl

Removals

Barry House Clearance (Vale)

We offer a fast reliable service clearing:

- Houses
- Attics
- Garages
- Outbuildings
- Garden Waste

Household items bought & sold. No job too large or small. Established over 25 years. For free no obligation estimate call:
Alan - 07950 278284
Steve - 07500 41690
www.barry-house-clearance.co.uk

Roofing Services

BERRIDGE ROOFING & MAINTENANCE

- Roofing & rubber flat roofing specialists
- All Leadwork, repointing & roof repairs • Guttering, soffits & fascia boards

07894 353313/
01446 402692
Read our reviews on Yell.com

Roof Rite

Affordable roofing & repairs
Slates, tiles, flat roofing, guttering, etc
Free quote call 24/7
01446500234 or
07859050827

Roofing Services

Roofing specialists
01656 720551
07973 488806
S. MIDDLETON & SON
We cover all aspects of roofing including Firestone EPDM Flat Roofing Rubber Systems
www.middletonroofing.co.uk

PREMIER ROOFING WALES LTD
SLATE & TILE SPECIALISTS
NO JOB TOO BIG OR SMALL
- SLATING AND TILING
- CHIMNEY STACKS
- LEAD WORK
- FASCIAS AND GUTTERS
- VELUX WINDOWS
- FLAT ROOF SYSTEMS
FIBRE GLASS & FACTRA (RUBBER)

CALL US TODAY FOR A FREE QUOTE!
☎ 07972 736806

ROOFTEC
ROOFING SERVICE
New slate/ tile/flat roofs. Also fibreglass flat roofs. All aspects of uPVC guttering, fascias, downpipes, etc. Chimney/ valley repairs. House maintenance work carried out. No job too small. Guaranteed competitive rates.
Tel. (01656) 722593
Mobile: 07969 248688.
Free estimates
24 hour emergency call out.

Tuition

ENGLISH TUTOR
Looking for a little extra support with GCSE English?
Let me help.
I have over 14 years experience of teaching and tutoring and a proven success rate.
I will also be running group masterclass revision sessions at Easter.
Tel: 07546 275075

Septic Tank

OK Environmental Services Ltd
Local family-run business for all your liquid waste needs. Cesspits/Septic Tanks, Liquid Waste Specialists.
Contact William Oakes on 01656 862414
07779 255639/07870 388432

Qualified GCSE English Exam Prep Tutor
Bespoke Literature & Language Lessons
- All Exam Boards
- Past Papers 2018/2019
- Revision plans and resits
- Grade exemplars A* - C
- Private & group sessions

TEL:/PM 07484 704176

Storage

Is your roof space a waste of space?
Loft ladders supplied & fitted from only £184
10% DISCOUNT on all advertised prices with this ad
- Loft boarding - for a safe storage area
- Hatch enlargements - too small to get in?
- New access points cut
- Loft insulation - top up to current regs

Call Dave or Matt on 02921 971871 or 07786 033810
Web: atticattack.net daveattickattack@googlemail.com

Upholstery Services

Susan Viant Re-upholstery
Over 25 years experience
Antique or modern furniture, conservatory furniture, dining furniture.
Call 01656 724005 or 01656 720722

Tiling Services

Tiling by Tanya
- All aspects of wall & floor tiling
- Ceramic, porcelain, natural stone
- Friendly, professional service
- No obligation free quotes

07814 124 851 or 01446 736760

Advertisers please note: to appear in the following week's edition, Telephone 01446 774484.
email: sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Wanted

SUTTONS Auto Salvage
TOP PRICES paid on collection, for scrap, MOT failures, and tax expired vehicles.
Also body shells and scrap metals collected.
No wheels, no problem.
02920 597887
07971 648596

Wanted

SBS SALVAGE LTD

Barry's newest car dismantling facility registered with the environment agency, DVLA & Vale of Glamorgan Council
No job too big or too small
Immediate payment of up to £10,000
MOT failures / Untaxed or scrapped vehicle. Best prices paid for copper / Lead, Aluminium / Stainless steel, Computer boards / Electric cable and catalytic converters
Free of Charge:
- Light demolition
- Factory/Farm Clearances
- All grades of metal taken
- Ferrous or non-ferrous
- Household appliances
- Car batteries

CALL US TODAY 01446 421034 • www.sbssalvage.com 07772 054534 • Monday to Sunday 07410 549526

The GEM 01446 774484

Wanted

WANTED
Classic/Old Car
Any age, any condition, including an unfinished project or motorcycle.
If it's in your garage or on your drive.
Call Mark, cash waiting
07425 139331

WANTED
Camper Van/Caravan
Any age, any condition, including an unfinished project with/without MOT.
If it's in your garage or on your drive.
Call Mark, cash waiting
07425 139331

ARTICLES & PRIVATE MOTORS
FOR SALE from £10 plus VAT for two weeks.
Deadline 12 noon on Tuesday before publication.
Telephone - 01446 774484

4 Internal doors
6 glass panels in each top section
wooden panel in each lower section
£15 each
01446 732173

Rare, antique, irish, **silver sugar bowl**, made in 1807, Dublin, by irish silversmith William Law, lovely decoration of shamrocks and harps.
£460.00
07526 657737
(Cardiff)

Acorn Slimline Stairlift
For straight stairs, price includes fitting by trained engineer
£500
01446 710722

Saab 95, 2005 model,
2.3l, petrol,128,000 miles, saloon, silver, automatic, half leather seats, alloy wheels, service history, mot until August 2019,
£695.00
07541 171905 (Barry).

Hyundai i10.
Silver, 12 plate
Good clean condition.
Full service history.
45,000 miles.
4 new Silverstone tyres fitted.
Genuine reason for sale.
£3000.00 ono
07768 880494.

Go to The GEM for the latest stories and breaking news... www.glamorgan-gem.co.uk

DON'T FORGET OUR CLASSIFIED DEADLINE IS
12 NOON TUESDAY
Call Kate on 01446 774484
or email kate.aldridge@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Wanted

FRAZER METALS
URGENTLY WANTED FOR CASH IN ALL AREAS
$CRAP CARS, VANS, LORRIES, QUADS & CAMPER VANS
MINIMUM £150 - £2500 PAID FOR MOST VEHICLES IN ANY CONDITION, WITH OR WITHOUT MOT INCLUDING MOT FAILURES & NON RUNNERS
DVLA
PLEASE CALL ANY TIME 7 DAYS A WEEK
Office 01446 732222 • Mobile 07816 205895

Funeral Directors

The Vale Funeral Service
'In The Heart of Our Community'

Established and family-run with a tradition of care
SERVING BARRY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS
We can take care of every detail, advise and help you on each and every step of the way.
Traditional/Bespoke Funerals
Private Chapel of Rest
Prepaid Funeral Plans
Horse-Drawn Carriages, Motorcycle Hearse & others available.
Reliable & Professional • Always here for you
Funerals can be arranged in the comfort of your own home. Independent 24 hour service.

www.valefuneralservice.co.uk
01446 407962
181 Court Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan, CF63 1EX

Green Willow Funerals
Family Centred Funeral Services. All profits donated to charity
For caring, sensitive, bespoke funeral arrangements at a time of need.
Contact Jordan Tyler based at
21a Station Road, Dinas Powys, CF64 4DE
02920 514627
We welcome no-obligation enquiries and also cater for 'pre-need' funeral plans which help:
- Limit costs • Record your wishes
- Relieve your pressure on family & loved ones

www.greenwillowfunerals.com

To advertise your situations vacant, family notices, birthdays, anniversaries, etc, call Sue on 01446 774484.

Family Notices

ASHILL
Barrie James

Peacefully after a short illness on 1st March 2019 at Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth with his loving family present, Barrie aged 74 years. Beloved husband of Eileen, much loved dad of Dean, Leanne, Dale and Kelly. Father-in-law to Jeff, Wilf and Sarah, adored Bamps to all his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Barrie will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Monday, 18th March at 1.45pm, followed by committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium. Immediate family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for Marie Curie Hospice Penarth c/o the funeral director.

TYRRELL
Frederick Raymond (Ray)

Peacefully at home on 22nd February, Ray, devoted husband to Jan, much loved dad of Daniel, survived by Nicola, Claire and Adam.

Ray will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Monday, 18th March at 2pm. No flowers by request. Donations, if desired, may be sent to Ward B4 Haematology Unit, University Hospital Of Wales, Cardiff, CF14 4XW in memory of Ray.

Further enquiries please telephone 01446 407962.

EVANS
Pamela Caroline (Carol) (*née* Phillips)

Peacefully at her home in the presence of her loving family on 1st March, Carol of Woodside Avenue, Litchard, Bridgend. Dearly loved wife of Michael, much loved mother of Kirstie and Katherine, loving grandma of Michael and a dear sister of Peter.

Carol will be sadly missed by all her family and many friends.

Funeral Thursday, 21st March. Service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium at 11am. Family flowers only, donations in lieu may be made to The Parkinson's Society c/o Mrs Julia Phillips, 72, Hazeldene Avenue, Brackla, Bridgend, CF31 2JP. Cheques made payable to Parkinson's UK (Bridgend).

Enquiries to Mel & Ron Watkins Funeral Services, Pencoed, Bridgend. Tel: 01656 860545.

FAIRFAX
Mina Maud

Peacefully with her family present on 9th March 2019, Mina aged 100 years. Beloved wife of the late Arthur, much loved mum and mother-in-law to Eileen, Janet and Angela. Cherished nan to Donna, Sian, Nicholas & Emma, Simon, Samantha & Rhys, Ruth and Suezanne & Lee, also a loved great grandmother and great great grandmother.

Mina will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Monday, 25th March 2019 at 1pm, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for The Alzheimer's Society c/o the funeral director.

THOMAS
Brinley Edward (Bryn)

Peacefully on Sunday, 3rd March at Picton Court Care Home, Porthcawl, Bryn of Hanover Court, Bridgend. Devoted husband of Lois. Much loved dad of Wayne and Roger, loved and respected father-in-law of Elaine and Angela. A loving and proud grandfather and great grandfather.

Friends please meet for service in Coychurch Crematorium on Monday, 25th March 2019 at 11am.

Floral tributes and enquiries to Rosemount Funeral Home, 19 Coychurch Road Bridgend, CF31 3AP. Tel - 01656 653156.

WILLIAMSON
Dennis John

It is with immense sadness that we announce that Den passed peacefully away at his home in Jersey on Thursday, 14th February 2019, aged 64 years.

Family and friends wishing to attend the service for Dennis are invited to meet at the Cadoxton Methodist Chapel, Barry on Friday, 22nd March at 2pm.

Following the service a Celebration of Dennis' life will be held at Barry Town Football Club. All welcome. Let's make it a 'gig'' to remember .

MORGAN
Robert (Bobby)

Peacefully on 2nd March at Llandough Hospital. Beloved husband of the late Jean. Dad of Christine and Robert, father-in-law to Susan and the late Garfield and a much loved grandad and great grandad.

Bob will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

A service will be held to celebrate Bob's life at 10am on Friday, 22nd March at St Mary's Church, Barry, followed by cremation at the Cardiff and Vale Crematorium at 11am.

Resting at Robert D. Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry.

Family flowers by request please.

BATTY
Susan Marigold

Peacefully on Saturday, 2nd March at Milsom House Nursing Home, St Athan. Formerly of Porthkerry Road, Rhoose, loving wife of the late Alan Batty.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 19th March, service and cremation 1pm at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road Barry.

CROOK
Robert John

Peacefully passed away on the 8th March after a short illness at Velindre Hospital, Cardiff. Beloved husband of Becky, loving father of Kelly-Lee and Lewis, much loved son and brother.

Rob will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 26th March, service and interment 12 noon at St Athan Church. Donations if desired to Velindre Cancer Care, c/o the funeral director.

JONES
Anita
(Dow Corning retiree)

'Ever loving, ever kind, a beautiful memory left behind.'

Peacefully on 7th March 2019 with those she loved. Will be dearly missed by everyone who knew her, especially by her loving husband, Gareth and children, Doug, Jenny and Russ and their families.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral service at St. Curig's Church, Porthkerry, Thursday, 21st March at 11am.

Black attire not essential, a touch of silver would be welcome.

GALLIVAN
Tom

Peacefully on 4th March at the University Hospital of Wales, Tom sadly passed away. A beloved husband to Joy, much loved dad of Ray, David and Cathie. Cherished Grampy to all his grandchildren and great grandchild.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Tom is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his Requiem Mass on Wednesday, 20th March at 10.15am at St Helen's RC Church, Barry, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery.

Family floral tributes only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service or via Tom's online tribute page at www.valefuneralservice.co.uk. All donations received to support Bone Cancer Research Trust in memory of Tom.

Acknowledgements

LUPTON
Harold (Al)

Marian Lupton (Kim) and family would like to thank Lyndsay Ellis and all the staff at The Vale Funeral Service, and Ceri-Lou Newman, Civil Celebrant, for all their help and support with the funeral arrangements for Harold Lupton who died peacefully at home on Monday, 18th February.

Harold's beautiful service took place at Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery Chapel, followed by a natural burial in the meadow at The Cardiff & Vale Natural Burial Ground. Both Lyndsay and Ceri-Lou provided an extremely professional but very caring and personal service. The whole process was faultless and meant we as the family were able to focus on celebrating Harold's life rather than the pain of his death. Thank you.

JONES
Mary Florence (Molly)

Suddenly on 7th March at Island View Care Home, Molly (late of Neale Street). Much loved mum of Lyn and Gail and son-in-law Ian. Loving grandmother, great grandmother, sister and sister-in-law.

She will be so missed.

Molly is in the care of Park Funeral Directors until her cremation on Monday, 25th March at 12 noon at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry. Family flowers only, but donations may be made to Brain Tumour Society.

CHARLES
Steven John

Peacefully at home on Sunday, 3rd March 2019. Charlie, loving father of four, much loved Bampi.

Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Monday, 25th March, service 12.45pm at St Athan Church, followed by cremation 2pm at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

HILBERG
Shirley

Rodney and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their messages of sympathy, attendance at Shirley's funeral service, floral tributes and donations

A special thank you to all the care staff at Hallows Care.

To advertise your situations vacant, family notices, birthdays, anniversaries, etc, call Sue on 01446 774484.

Anniversary

Congratulations

David & Brenda Satherley

On your 50th Wedding Anniversary

on 15th March

With much love
Becka, Philip, Alice, Gemma & Daniel
xxx

Funeral Directors

Robert D Johnson
Cert FP

Independent Funeral Director
Family owned and run

The "Simple" Funeral - £2,550
• Cremation & Service Fees at VOGC
• Doctors Fees For Cremation Paperwork
• Ministers Fee • Hearse • Coffin & Gown
• Use of Private Chapel of Rest
Price Adjustment for Burials
Perfect Choice Funeral Plans from £2,930 (Based On A Cremation)

29 Holton Rd, Barry CF63 4HA
Tel 01446 733844
Email rjfunerals@gmail.com
www.rjfunerals.co.uk

Penarth Funeral Directors
Hickman Road Funeral Home

AVERAGE COSTS INCLUDE:
Coffin, Hearse, Limousine, Robe, Bearers, Grave or Cremation, Church, Minister & Doctor's Fees
No charge for services not required
Cremation - Thornhill £3,275
Cremation - Barry £3,450
Burial - Penarth £3,350
Burial - Barry £3,440
No Hidden Costs
02920 703581
Supporting local charities with monthly donations

W James & Sons
FONMON, Rhoose, CF62 3BJ Tel 01446 710096
Serving Barry & The Vale of Glamorgan

ESTABLISHED 1860
• Over 150 years of continuous family service
• Personal attention at all times
• 24 hour Service
• Private Chapel of Rest
• Service for all Denominations
• Pre-paid Funeral Plans
(Written details on request)

Advertisers please note:
to appear in the following week's edition,
Telephone 01446 774484.
email: sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

There's lots more online...

In Memory

Birthday Memory
KELLS
Deborah (née Last)
20th March

Although we laugh and seem carefree,
and make no outward show.
What it meant to lose you Deb,
no one will ever know.

Love always, Mum, Dad & Josh xxx

Birthday Memories
KELLS
Debbie
20th March

I never ask for miracles, but today just one would do.
To see my front door open and my dearest wife walk through.

Love Jimmy x

Birthday Memories
KELLS
Debbie
20th March

Mum – to hear your voice, to see you smile,
to sit and talk to you a while, to be together
in the same old way,
would be our dearest wish today.

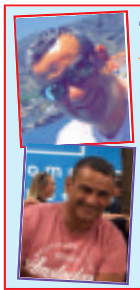
Love Charlotte and Sean xx

Birthday Memories
KELLS
Debbie
20th March

You always had a smile to share,
time to give and time to care.
A loving Nannabell kind and true,
in this way we remember you.

Love Teagen, Macsen and Ava xxx

Birthdays



To My Darling
Cain Smith

Wishing you a very Special Happy Birthday.
on 15th March
Have a Great Day!
Love you.
Love Jodie Lee xxx
'Apes strong'

To my future son-in-law
CAIN SMITH
Wishing you a very Happy Birthday on 15 March

All our love, Les, PJ, Callum, Sweetie and Cats xxx

Alfred Frank Le Breton
Happy 80th Birthday
on 18th March

All our love from Pat, Ian, Ruth, Clair, Sacha, Chris, Helen, Alexander, Lloyd, Ellie and Gwion and Barney xxx

80

Go to The GEM for the latest stories and breaking news... www.glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Situations Vacant

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

Do you have skills in managing, developing and maintaining buildings, assets and other facilities?

Are you able to ensure regulations are met in order to deliver high standards of service?

Can you manage people and projects effectively?

Do you want to be part of a team that's working to improve Barry?

IF SO

Barry Town Council is the largest Town Council in Wales and is seeking to recruit a **Facilities & Cemeteries Manager** to meet its statutory obligations as a Burial Authority and manage its Cemeteries and Community Facilities

The position is full time, 37 hours per week, permanent post

Salary £31,371 - £33,799

The Closing date for applications is 28 March 2019 at 4.00 pm

Interviews will be held on 4 April 2019 at the Barry Town Council Offices

Full details can be found on our website **www.barrytowncouncil.gov.uk** or call us for an application pack on **01446 704923**
email: **angieprice@barrytowncouncil.gov.uk**

CYNGOR TREF Y BARRI

A oes gennych sgiliau i reoli, datblygu a gofalu am adeiladau, asedau a chyfleusterau eraill?

Ydych chi'n gallu sicrhau bod rheoliadau'n cael eu bodloni er mwyn darparu safonau gwasanaeth uchel?

Allwch chi reoli pobl a phrosiectau yn effeithiol?

Hoffech chi fod yn rhan o dîm sy'n gweithio i wella'r Barri?

OS FELLY

Cyngor Tref Y Barri yw'r Cyngor Tref mwyaf yng Nghymru ac mae'n ceisio penodi **Rheolwr Cyfleusterau & Mynwentydd** er mwyn bodloni ei gyfrifoldebau statudol fel Awdurdod Claddu a rheoli ei Fynwentydd a'i Gyfleusterau Cymunedol

Mae'n swydd lawn amser, 37 awr yr wythnos, swydd barhaol

Cyflog £31,371 - £33,799

Y dyddiad cau ar gyfer ceisiadau yw 28 Mawrth 2019 am 4.00 pm

Cynhelir cyfweliadau ar 4 Ebrill 2019 yn Swyddfeydd Cyngor Tref Y Barri

Ceir manylion llawn ar ein gwefan **www.barrytowncouncil.gov.uk** neu ffoniwch ni i gael pecyn cais ar **01446 704923**
e-bost: **angieprice@barrytowncouncil.gov.uk**

Reliable Cleaner Required in Sully

For two bed bungalow
2-3 hours per week
£10 per hour.

02920 531637

Are you fit to deliver The GEM
Please ring 07412 023369/ 01582 476666
info@thedistribution business.co.uk

Vacancy for Caretaker/Cleaner (Part Time)

21 hours per week • £17,364 (pro rata)

Fixed Term Contract until 31st March 2020 pending the securing of continuation funding.

Closing Date for Applications: 12pm, 22nd March 2019

Interview Date: 29th March 2019

We are looking for a Caretaker to work in our busy community centre based in Llantwit Major.

The successful candidate must be flexible and willing to cover weekends and other shifts.

General cleaning duties will be included as well as light maintenance work.

For a copy of the job description and the application process, please contact Ceri Venners at Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS). Email ceri@gvs.wales or telephone 01446 741706.

Charity No. 1163193

Filco Supermarkets Ltd

currently has a vacancy for
PART-TIME CLERICAL ASSISTANT

16 hours per week at £8.33ph
Good working knowledge of Purchase/Sales Ledgers and Microsoft Excel essential

If you are interested please send your CV and covering letter to:
Jeanne Davies, Administration Manager, Filco Supermarkets Ltd, 19 Boverton Road, Llantwit Major, Vale of Glamorgan, CF61 1XZ or e-mail your information to jeanne.davies@filco.co.uk
Closing date for application – 23rd March 2019

ValePlus

Requires a **support worker** for its **Llantwit Major Centre.**
18 hours per week. £8.65 per hour.
To provide 1 to 1 care and support for a female service user.
Start in April.
Contact valeplus@aol.com or telephone Angharad on 01446 794144
(Charity No. 1099224)

LITTLEJOHN

TRAINEE PROCESS OPERATORS REQUIRED
Part Time and Full Time positions available

Based in Vale Business Park, Llandow

The position requires a substantial amount of manual handling.
You will need to be fit and have good health and safety awareness.
Have a basic education background with reading, writing and good maths skills.

Please forward your CV to amanda@alittlejohn.co.uk

Job Opportunity !!!

GJ Care & Training Ltd is recruiting new and enthusiastic care staff in the Barry and the Vale
Full & part time positions available.
No experience required as full training supplied
Must be a car driver
Salary to be discussed at interview
5.6 weeks annual leave
Opportunity to enrol into a pension scheme
24/7 support network with supervisors
Free uniform
Become fully qualified in Health and Social Care
Call 07956601171 for an interview.

The best way to fill your local recruitment position is through your local paper. Contact The Gem for competitive prices 01446 774484

Let's bring it back!

Celebrate the birth of your baby
From only £10 plus VAT

We are pleased to announce the birth of Daisy Anna Lloyd
Born on 28th June
Weight: 8lb 6oz.
Lots of love All the family xxx
PHOTO INSERTED

A wonderful keepsake for the family.

The Glamorgan GEM

Reach over 45,000 households
Plus a vast online audience
Call Sue on 01446 774484 today
or email sales@glamorgan-gem.co.uk

Vale horse comes third in Cheltenham classic

LLANCARFAN'S Evan Williams was delighted to say the least when his Silver Streak, the rank outsider at 80-1, finished third behind the Irish-trained Espoir D'Allen and Melon in Tuesday's classic Champion Hurdle at Cheltenham.

Silver Streak, the only grey in the 10-runner field and who had been runner-up in his previous three races was partnered by stable jockey Adam Wedge, who said: "He tried all the way through and I thought we would get second.''

The winner won by 15 lengths but there was only a neck between the second and third.

Williams, a former national champion point-to-point rider, told the press: "I'm over the moon. At one point I'd have been happy if he'd won a couple of little handicaps and he's ended up finishing third in the Champion Hurdle."

"I'm delighted, surprised and shocked," he added. "I can't believe it. The only thing I've got right with this horse is that he needed a genuine pace to come off. Nobody wants to see a horse in the wrong race. His performance has shown he was in the right race and it will be easier with him now we know he's good enough.''

Less than half-an-hour after Silver Streak's race, his stable companion Annie Bonny ran out a 13 lengths winner of the novices' handicap hurdle at Sedgefield under Mitchell Bastyan.

Silver Streak's third place earned his owner £47,745 and for winning at Sedgefield Annie Bonny's winning connections received £4,094.

Brian Lee

Lily needs your votes!

A father is appealing for votes for his daughter to become a brand ambassador for an ice skating company.

Luke Walding, general manager of The Brecon & Radnor Express in Brecon, said his daughter Lily is one of 16 finalists who are in with the chance of becoming a Two Birds, which is an ice skating shop, ambassador.

The seven-year-old ice skater, from Cwmbran, puts in over 20 hours of practice a week in Cardiff and travels across the country for competitions.

Luke said: "Through the hard work and dedication from training 20-plus hours a week she deserves everybody to vote for her – she's only seven and she puts all that effort in. I am very proud, she's an amazing ice skater and an amazing person."

Two ice skaters will be chosen to become brand ambassadors following the competition – one from the under-12 category and another from the over-12 category.

The proud father-of-two said: "When I watch Lily compete, for those two to four minutes on the ice, its like the whole world disappears and its just her.

"The way she performs to the music completely captivates my attention, a feeling of being almost hypnotised by how amazing she is.

"Her dedication and passion for ice skating is second to none and I honestly believe she has the ability to become something special."

To vote for Lily, go to the Two Birds website and watch her personal video before filling in the form. Only one vote is allowed per email address.

Voting will close on Friday, March 15 at 6pm and the winners will be announced live on the Two Birds London Facebook page.

AB

Lady golfers enjoy St David's Day

First team Leeks.

First team Daffodils

ON February 28, a very wet day, following several warm and sunny days, the Ladies of Cottrell Park Golf Club played a St David's Day competition, a nine hole Stableford with best two out of three scores to count.

They divided into two teams: the Leeks versus the Daffodils, the Leeks winning with the highest total score. There were prizes for the best group of three in each team: the Leeks, Nan Thomas, Patricia Haines and Helen Ruttley with 34 points, and the Daffodils, Patricia Davies, Rusty Fone and Regina Drew with 33 points. Lorraine Pointon-Bell presented the prizes, her last official duty as Ladies' captain.

All the players were thoroughly soaked on their return but spirits remained high as they enjoyed coffee and welsh cakes.

CB

Barry Town United represented in 'C' international match

WHILE Ryan Giggs prepares the national team for the start of a new qualifying campaign next week, no fewer than five Barry Town United players will be on international duty in Giggs' home city, as the Wales C squad reconvenes for another crack at their English counterparts.

Kayne McLaggon, Jordan Cotterill, Robbie Patten, Clayton Green, and Chris Hugh will travel to link up with Mark Jones and Owain Tudor Jones' training camp in Manchester, immediately following Barry's re-arranged JD Welsh Premier League meeting between Barry and Bala.

The ensuing C international between England and Wales, the second in as many seasons, will be played at the new-look Peninsula Stadium, home of National League promotion hopefuls Salford City, the club part-owned by Giggs and a host of former Manchester United teammates.

One year ago, the C Lions roared to success in a 3-2 thriller in Barry, with Fejiri Okenabirhie catching the eye with a match-winning hat-trick.

With five inclusions in Jones' 21-man squad, Barry are the most represented club side from either of the nations.

S4C will be streaming the full 90 minutes via the Sgorio Facebook page, with kick-off at 7.45pm.

AC

North Cornelly man joins British team

NORTH Cornelly's Paul Davies will be a member of the British para table tennis team competing in the Lignano Masters Open in Italy from March 14-16.

Davies, at 52 the oldest member of the 16-strong British team, will compete in the men's class one category.

Ranked sixth in the world, he is an experienced competitor and was a medallist at the 2012 Paralympics in London.

He was paralysed in a motorbike accident in 1986 and later took up table tennis.

The Lignano tournament marks the start of the sport's qualification period for the Tokyo Paralympics in 2020, and Davies will be looking to make an early impression.

Report by Michael Prosser

Barry and District Ladies Skittles League results

DIVISION 1:

Space Finders 315 (R Whyman 35), Cigar Ladies 354 (J Bryne 35); Family & Friends 231 (A Baker 25), Allsorts 226 (L Thomas & J Jones 23); Barry Stars 231 (C Lambeth), Pila Pala 240 (M Staniforth 24); Special Angels 234 (C Thomas 32), La Bells 218 (E Cordy 26); Cadoxton Con Fillies 236 (A Beatie 28), Coppers 259 (S Curtis 29).

Division 2:

Airways Angels 228 (A Sales 25), Bobby's Girls 237 (L Evans & J Barnett 26); Witchill Weebies 342 (N Hillburg 34), Breakaways 296 (V Martin 32); Red Admiral 243 (S Clements 25), Roller Coasters 228 (S Thomas 26); Challengers 253 (H Velda 28), Colcot Ladies 225 (D Mansbridge & M Snelling 25); Rhoose Starlights 247 (L Field 28), Rugby Triers 243 (K Brooke 26).

Division 3:

Merry Makers 224 (E. Page 24), Dolly Mixtures 212 (E. Bryan 22); Off The Rails 238 (S. Crump & L. McCormack 25), Sea View Ladies 229 (F. Butler 29); Witchill Widows 281 (M. Curry 29), Little Devils 283 (J.H. Jones 34); Hillbillies 271 (T. Carney & J. Lambeth 34), Witches 314 (V. Walters 33); Westenders 254 (M. Condon 31), Etcetera 272 (S. Dyke 27).

Division 4:

Bimbos 226 (C. Cockram & L. Hobbs 22), Socialites 198; Rebels 184 (L. Spurr 22), Nite Outers 211 (G. Baker 26); Odd Bods 224 (T. Perry 25), Boozy Birds 244 (S. Vater & J. Lardner 25).

HB

Barry Beavers hold AGM

ON February 7 Barry Beavers had their AGM at the Civic Offices, Barry.

They discussed events such as PiP (Party In the Park) 3, the summer trip and the Christmas party.

On February 9, both Nadine and Nicholas, along with Nadia and Jen Thomson were issued with their instructors' shirts to wear in the pool during club sessions, and for the Halliwick training course later that month.

These four members went on to do the Foundation phase course, which others from clubs across Wales and abroad also attended. They had an assessor to run the four-day course at Barry Leisure Centre.

They all completed it and were presented with their certificates by the assessor (Ann Gresswell). They all will look into doing the advanced course later this year, which will run at Barry Leisure Centre again.

NC

Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club

THE results for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for March 11 are as follows.

First, Mike Best and Kevin Maddox 68.16 per cent; second, Glyn Williams and Vida Halford, 61.72 per cent; third, Trish Roe and Anne Hughes, 59.77 per cent.

LE

Old Hall Bridge Club news

THE results for Old Hall Bridge Club on March 6 are as follows.

First, Glenda Roberts and Colin Lewis; second, Cathy and James Mangles.

TP

On and Off The Turf with Brian Lee

VALE trainers Tim Vaughan and Christian Williams both saddled winners on Monday, March 4.

Vaughan's *Glimpse Of Gold*, partnered by stable jockey Alan Johns, landed the Selling Handicap Hurdle at Southwell finishing eight lengths ahead of *Kilcaragh Boy;* and Williams' *Fifty Shades*, at six the youngest horse in the three miles handicap chase, got home by half-a-length from the top-weighted *Sackett*.

Williams' *Uno Mas* failed to make it a four-timer when finishing half-a-length behind the top-weighted **Canyon City** in the Fakenham £10,00 handicap hurdle.

TUESDAY SUCCESS FOR WELSH JOCKEYS

WELSH jockeys Connor Brace, Lorcan Williams and Sean Bowen all rode winners at Exeter on March 5.

Brace, whose grandfather David Brace OBE runs the Dunraven Stud at Pyle, took the opening handicap hurdle on the Phillip Hobbs-trained *Smarty Wild*.

Williams – no relation to Evan Williams – was later successful on the top-weighted *Truckers Lodge* trained by Paul Nicholls, and later again in the afternoon Pembrokeshire's Sean Bowen won on *Billy Broncho* for Llancarfan's Evan Williams.

Evan's daughter Isabel, riding her father's 33-1 chance *Firebird Flyer* was beaten just three quarters of a length by *Jai Froid*.

Over at Newcastle, trainer Tim Vaughan's 301 mile journey from Aberthin proved worthwhile as his stable jockey Alan Johns took the opening novices' handicap hurdle on *Oriental Cross*, who was returned at odds of 5-1.

ANOTHER WINNER FOR CONNOR

CONNOR Brace, who hails from the Vale, chalked-up another winner when riding former leading National Hunt jockey Sam Thomas' six-year-old *IWillDoIt* to an eight lengths win over *Same Circus* in the Cheltenham Festival On Racing TV Handicap Hurdle at Catterick, on March 6.

Thomas trains at Lisvane in Cardiff and *IWillDoIt* was returned the 11/8 favourite.

Less than 24 hours after riding I*WillDoIt* to victory in the 4.20 at Catterick on Wednesday, Porthcawl Connor Brace was back in the winners' enclosure at Carlisle after he had won the opening 2.20 race the Conditionals And Amateurs Hurdle on the Venitia Williams-trained *Jurys Out*.

Jurys Out, the 2-1 favourite, won by four lengths from *Strike West*.

TIM'S SANDOWN WINNER

ABERTHIN trainer Tim Vaughan saw his *Le Milos* land the opening Get Switched On With Matchbook Juvenile Handicap Hurdle at Sandown Park last Saturday.

Well ridden by stable jockey Alan Johns, *Le Milos*, a 20-1 outsider came home four lengths ahead of the favourite *The Knot Is Tied* which, ridden by Bryony Frost, was finishing in the runner-up spot for the third time in a row.

Another Welsh rider to ride a winner at Sandown was Sean Bowen who won the Open National Hunt Flat race on 5-1 chance *Misty Whisky* for Henry Fry.

Llancarfan's Evan Wiilliams was successful at Hereford with his five-year-old *Esprit Du Large* which, ridden by stable jockey Adam Wedge, took the MansionBet Novices' Hurdle by 10 lengths from the odds-on *Newtown Boy*.

In the afternoon, Bargoed's David Probert won the SunRacing.Co.UK Lincoln Trail Handicap at Wolverhampton on the Andrew Balding-trained *Zwayan*, a 7-1 chance, and in the evening at Kempton Park he scored on 11-4 favourite *Nylon Speed* for Alan King.

BRECON & TALYBONT HUNT STEEPLECHASES

OWNERS, riders and trainers from the Vale will be heading to Llanfrynach on Sunday for the Brecon & Talybont Hunt Point-To-Point Steeplechases and Cowbridge's Byron Moorcroft will be hoping to ride a few more winners in his bold bid to win the Welsh Riders' Championship.

Merthyr Mawr's Jack Tudor will also be hoping he can come away with a winner of two in his bid to land the national novice riders' title. The first race is at 1pm.

A DOZEN UP FOR BYRON

COWBRIDGE'S Byron Moorcroft chalked-up his 12th winner of the season when landing the restricted race on Sarah McQueen's *Havent Time* at the Flint & Denbigh Hunt Point-To-Point Steeplechases on Sunday.

Welsh champion rider Bradley Gibbs riding Jane Price's *Terrierman* took division two of the open maiden on Terrierman.

CONNOR AGAIN!

FERGAL O'Brien's seven pound-claiming jockey Connor Brace from the Vale will soon be losing his allowance if he carries on the way he has been – he's ridden six winners since the end of last month.

His latest was on March 11, when he won the opening Juvenile Hurdle on 14-1 outsider *Phoenican Star* for O'Brien, who trains in the Cotswolds.

Later in the afternoon Tim Vaughan's *Hazm*, a 10-1 chance, won the Maiden Open Flat Race under Richard Patrick who is no stranger to Wales.

Penllyn Bridge Club latest

PENLLYN Bridge Club results for February are as follows:

February 7, 20 pairs Robert Brown Cup competition: first David and Marion Stephenson 57.07; second Marian East and Barbara Easterbrook 56.82 per cent; third Chris Impey and Ann Birt 56.57 per cent.

February 14, 20 pairs: first John Lord and Jo Ilsley 68.69; second Ireen and Richard Daniels 61.36; third David and Marion Stephenson 60.61.

February 21, 22 pairs: first Allan Evans and Norma Barber 61.14; second Marian East and Barbara Easterbrook 59.77; third Eric and Anne Sparks 58.18.

February 28, 15 pairs Robert Brown Cup competition: first Eric and Anne Sparks 62.5; second Norma Barber and Dot Williams 61.25; third Helen and Mike Ruttley 59.17.

CN

Got a sports story, match report or item of interest? Email **sport@glamorgan-gem.co.uk**

Vale of Glamorgan Football League news round-up

DESPITE a few games falling foul of the weather, an entertaining Saturday was had in the VOGAFL.

Barry Athletic now just need one more win to retain their Premier Division crown, but they were made to work for the points away to St Athan, as they came from behind to grab a last-minute winner.

Coree Roberts' delightful lob put St Athan ahead but Teejay Caton notched a fine double to ensure Athletic remain on course for the title.

In Division One just the one game survived as Cadoxton Imps' promotion chase suffered a bump in the road as they were held to a thrilling 3-3 draw by Cwm Talwg.

Imps now sit three points off second-placed Tynewydd with a game in hand and a slightly better goal difference, plus the two sides clash at the end of the month in what should be a huge game for both clubs.

In Division Two, leaders AFC Rhoose B avenged last week's cup thumping to defeat Penarth Town B 4-2. The result sees Rhoose move three points ahead of St Athan B who were held 1-1 away to Vale Madrid, although Rhoose have played two games less.

Barry Vikings' game was postponed and they are now in third, four points off top with a game in hand.

The title race in Division Two looks set to go right to the wire with some interesting and exciting twists and turns to come in the next few weeks.

Finally, Barry Athletic B returned to winning ways as they survived a late Island Marine B fight-back to win the Barry Island derby 3-2.

HD

Stableford action for golfers

DESPITE a forecast of heavy rain from midday, St Mary's Golf Club's senior section turned out in force for a popular Two Division Stableford competition.

The golfers were thankful that the promised rain held off, and everyone completed the full course of 18 holes.

Division One for handicaps up to 21 was headed by old campaigner Roy Denton with a score of 37 points, one ahead of Graham Jones. Wayne Newton completed the placings on 35 points.

Phil Banks claimed the Division Two victory with a fine 39 points. Section captain Dave Hughes secured second spot on 37 points with former paramedic Trevor Evans just one behind on 36.

Two days later, in strong blustery winds with yet more rain forecast, 15 members of the section teed off in a team Texas Scramble played over 10 holes.

Sub-par scores are to be expected in the Texas Scramble format and the five teams did not disappoint. At the end of play, two teams shared the win on a score of 26, 11 strokes under the par of 37 for the 10 holes played.

Phil Banks' continued good form helped fellow team members Bryant Thomas and Gareth Jones to bag one of the winning spots, while the smoking hot putter of Eddie Fothergill proved to be a telling factor in supporting section chairman and Norman Lloyd in claiming the other.

NL

Vale Bridge Club results

THE latest results for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for March 4 are:

First, Tony Disley and Phil Felman, 72.50 per cent; second, Mike Best and Kevin Maddox, 69.79 per cent; third equal, Stella Miller and Emer Disley; Glyn Williams and Vida Halford, 56.46 per cent.

LE

BARRY TYRE AND AUTOCENTRE

BARRY TYRES - ALWAYS STRIVING TO BRING YOU NEW PRODUCTS!

Expert Centre TPMS GENERAL TIRE GT

We sell all major brands, including:

PIRELLI GOODYEAR Continental MICHELIN

plus lots more...

Air conditioning check & re-gas available here.

CAR SERVICING

from only £49.95

Main dealer servicing, but not at main dealer prices.
Original specification parts used. Top grade oils used.
Service records fully stamped.

LOWER GUTHRIE STREET, BARRY CF63 4PS
01446 737447
Mon - Fri 8.30am - 5.30pm
Saturday 8.30am - 1pm

VEHICLE TESTING STATION

HOLTON ROAD, BARRY CF63 4HU
01446 745888
Mon - Fri 8.30am - 5.30pm
Saturday 8.30am - 1pm

WE WILL NOT BE BEATEN ON PRICE!

All major credit cards accepted. Find us on Facebook

www.barrytyreautocentre.co.uk

FINANCE LEASE DEALS

Fiat Fiorino Tecnico 1.3 Diesel 80ps
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£137.00**
plus vat per month.

Fiat Fiorino Tecnico 1.4 Petrol 75ps
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£127.00**
plus vat per month.

THINK VANS
Your local van supplier

Fiat Doblo Tecnico 1.3 95ps
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£147.00**
plus vat per month.

Citroen Relay Enterprise 35 2.0HDI 130ps
Mwb Hi Roof (L2H2)
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£212.00**
plus vat per month.

Ford Transit Custom DCIV 320 L2H1 130ps Limited FWD
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£249.00**
plus vat per month.

Ford Transit Custom DCIV 320 L1H1 130ps Limited FWD
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£244.00**
plus vat per month.

Fiat Ducato 35 Maxi 2.3L 130bhp LXH2
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£260.00**
plus vat.

Fiat Ducato 35 Maxi 2.3L 130bhp LXH3
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£264.00**
plus vat

Ford Transit Custom 280 L1H1 130ps Limited FWD
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£228.00** plus vat
per month.

Citroen Berlingo Enterprise 650kg 75ps M Enterprise
Various Colours Available.
Lease From **£151.00**
plus vat per month.

USED VANS

67 Ford Transit Custom 290 L2 Diesel FWD 2.0 TDCI 170ps Low Roof Limited van in White. Mileage 4960
£15,695 plus vat.

Peugeot Partner 850 1.6 Hdi 92ps Professional.
16035 miles, Full Service History.1 Owner, Full service history. **£8,495.00 plus vat.**

Peugeot Partner 850 1.6 Hdi 92ps Professional.
35135 miles,
Full Service History
£7,995.00 plus vat.

Ford Transit Custom 2.2 TDCi 290 L2H1 Trend Panel Van 5dr Blue, 2 owners, 48595 Miles.
£9,495 +vat

Renault Trafic 1.6 dCi Energy LL29 125 Sport Nav Crew Van 5dr (EU6) Pre-Registered, 68 Plate Delivery Miles only.
Black, 1 owner. **£18,595 +vat**

Citroen Relay 2.0 BlueHDi 35 Enterprise L3H3 Panel Van 5dr (EU6)
Mileage 35239
Price **£12,195.00** plus vat

T&C Quotes shown are based on a finance lease with balloon profile 9 + 59 + final payment. Quotes are plus vat. ***Thinkvans.com Limited are a credit broker and not a lender.***
Pictures for illustration purposes only. E&OE. Doc fees may apply. Finance subject to status. Only available to people 18 and over. Guarantees and Idemnities may be required.
We are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Registered No : 672016. We can introduce to a limited number of finance providers. We may receive commissions for introducing you to our lenders. Registered in England & Wales with company number: 06535977 | Data Protection No: Z1698506 | VAT No: 928555587 Copyright 2018 Think Vans.com Limited, All rights reserved.

TEL: 01446 724 130 MOBILE: 07432 076792
WWW.THINKVANS.COM PAUL@THINKVANS.COM
Unit 8, Atlantic Point, Atlantic Trading Estate, Barry, CF63 3AA

"Drive away in under 60 minutes"

JEFF WHITE MOTORS

www.jeffwhitemotors.co.uk

AutoTrader ★★★★★ Rated 4.9 out of 5.0

Over 60 4x4s • Over 500 cars on display •

14 14 NISSAN JUKE 1.6 DIG-T Nismo 5dr 4WD CVT Automatic (197bhp), sat nav, reverse camera, Bluetooth, 18"alloys, white **£9995**

13 63 AUDI A5 2.0 TDI Quattro S-Line Coupe Automatic, sat nav, 19"alloys, heated seats, blue, full leather **£12995**

16 65 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.0 MultiJet Limited 5dr 4WD, sat nav, cruise, 22k, black, full leather **£16495**

16 66 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI R 5dr 4WD, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, heated seats, 19k, red **£23995**

15 65 BMW 420 D XDrive M Sport Coupe Automatic, M sport + pack, sat nav, 25k, white, full leather **£20495**

11 61 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER SPORT 3.0 SDV6 HSE 5dr Automatic, facelift, sat nav, rear dvds, reverse camera, tv, black, full leather **£16995**

15 65 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 John Cooper Works ALL4 3dr (218bhp), chilli + tlc pack, 39k, red, full leather **£14995**

16 16 AUDI S1 2.0 TFSI Quattro 5dr, heated seats, Privacy glass, white, full leather **£17995**

16 16 BMW X1 2.0 DXDrive M Sport 5dr, sat nav, heated seats, 24k, met white **£14995**

17 66 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2.2 CRD BlueDrive Premium 5dr 4WD (7-Seater), sat nav, reverse camera, 15k, silver, full **£20495**

16 16 HYUNDAI TUCSON 2.0 CRDI Premium SE 5dr 4WD Automatic, sat nav, pan roof, 16k, black **£19495**

16 16 JEEP RENEGADE 2.0 M-Jet II Longitude 5dr 4WD, sat nav, pan roof, 17"alloys, choice, 22k **£12495**

17 66 MERCEDES GLA200 D 4Matic Sport 5dr Automatic, sat nav, red, 29k, full leather **£18495**

16 66 VW TIGUAN 2.0 TDI BMT 150 SE Nav 5dr DSG Automatic 4Motion, sat nav, 18" alloys, 23k, black **£21495**

13 63 AUDI A5 2.0 TDI Quattro S-Line Coupe Automatic, sat nav, 19"alloys, heated seats, blue, full leather **£12995**

16 16 AUDI S1 2.0 TFSI Quattro 5dr, heated seats, Privacy glass, white, full leather **£17995**

15 15 AUDI S3 2.0 TFSI Quattro 3dr S-Tronic, sat nav, pdc, Bluetooth, heated seats, red, full leather **£19995**

15 15 AUDI S3 2.0 TFSI Quattro Convertible Automatic, sat nav, comfort pack, heated seats, blue, full leather **£19995**

16 66 AUDI S3 2.0 TFSI Quattro 5dr, Audi warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, Bluetooth, heated seats, full leather, 11k, black, half-leather **£23995**

15 65 AUDI Q3 2.0 TDI Quattro S-Line Plus 5dr S-Tronic, sat nav, dab, heated seats, 33k, grey, half-leather **£19995**

16 66 BMW 330 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2019, M sport + pack, heated electric seats, 19"alloys, 15k, black, full leather **£21995**

17 67 BMW 330 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, cruise, 17k, silver, full leather **£22495**

16 16 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, dab, 18"baclk alloys, 22k, red, full leather **£20495**

16 66 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2019, M sport + pack, LED headlights, sat nav, 19"alloys, 20k, grey, full leather **£22995**

16 66 BMW 335 DXDrive M Sport Estate Automatic, BMW warranty Jan 2020, M sport + pack, Harman kardon, 19"alloys, sat nav, 22k, met grey, full leather....**£24995**

17 17 BMW 420 I XDrive Sport Gran Coupe 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Sept 2020, sat nav, 25k, grey, full leather....**£20995**

15 65 BMW 420 DXDrive Luxury 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, heated seats, 39k, grey, full leather **£17495**

15 65 BMW 420 D XDrive M Sport Coupe Automatic, M sport + pack, sat nav, 25k, white, full leather....**£20495**

15 65 BMW 430 D XDrive M Sport 2dr Automatic, M sport + pack, 19"alloys, red, full leather **£19995**

16 66 BMW 435 D XDrive M Sport Convertible, BMW warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, 22k, white, full leather....**£23995**

15 65 BMW X1 2.0 D XDrive X-Line 5dr, sat nav plus, electric memory seats, 10k, black, full leather....**£19495**

16 16 BMW X1 2.0 DXDrive M Sport 5dr, BMW warranty June 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 24k, met white....**£18995**

16 66 BMW X1 XDrive D M Sport 5dr, BMW warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 18"alloys, 21k, blue....**£19995**

13 13 BMW X3 2.0 D M Sport 5dr, sat nav, heated seats, red, full leather **£13495**

16 66 FORD EDGE 2.0 TDCI 210 Titanium 5dr Powershift 4WD, Ford warranty Oct 2019, sat nav, cruise, 19"alloys, reverse camera, black **£21495**

16 66 FORD KUGA 2.0 TDCI Titanium 5dr 4x4, Ford warranty Dec 2019, appearance pack, 19"alloys, blue, half-leather **£13995**

16 16 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2.2 CRDI BlueDrive Premium SE 5dr Automatic (7-Seater), Hyundai warranty July 2021, sat nav, pan roof, heated seats, reverse camera, 19"alloys, 21k, choice with full leather **£20995**

17 66 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2.2 CRD BlueDrive Premium 5dr 4WD (7-Seater), Hyundai warranty Feb 2022, sat nav, reverse camera, 15k, silver, full leather **£20495**

16 16 HYUNDAI TUCSON 2.0 CRDI Premium SE 5dr 4WD Automatic, Hyundai warranty May 2021, sat nav, pan roof, 16k, black **£19495**

16 66 HYUNDAI TUCSON 2.0 CRD Premium 4WD 5dr Automatic, Hyundai warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 19"alloys, 18k, grey, full leather....**£18995**

16 66 INFINITI QX30 2.2 D Premium Tech 5dr DCT Automatic, Infiniti warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 21k, grey, full leather **£19495**

15 65 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.2 MultiJet 200 Limited 5dr Automatic, sat nav, reverse camera, 25k, white, full leather....**£17495**

16 65 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.0 MultiJet Limited 5dr 4WD, sat nav, cruise, 22k, black, full leather....**£16495**

16 16 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.2 MultiJet II Night Eagle 5dr Automatic AWD, sat nav, cruise, 27k, black, full leather....**£18995**

17 67 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.2 MultiJet 200 Limited 5dr 4WD Automatic, Jeep warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, privacy glass, 12k, black, full leather....**£22995**

14 64 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 3.0 CRD Limited 5dr 4WD Automatic, reverse camera, dab, grey, full leather **£18495**

16 16 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 3.0 CRD Summit 5dr 4x4 Automatic, Jeep warranty April 2019, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, 20"alloys, met red, full leather....**£23995**

16 16 JEEP RENEGADE 2.0 M-Jet II Longitude 5dr 4WD, Jeep warranty Sept 2019, sat nav, pan roof, 17"alloys, choice, 22k....**£12495**

15 65 KIA SORENTO 2.2 CRD KX3 5dr Automatic AWD (7-Seater), Kia warranty Dec 2022, pan roof, reverse camera, 21k, white, full leather....**£22495**

18 68 KIA SORENTO 2.2 CRDI GT-Line S 5dr Automatic (7-Seater), Kia warranty Sept 2025, pan roof, sat nav, reverse camera, only 527 miles, grey, full leather....**£33995**

16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 T GDI GT-Line AWD 5dr, Kia warranty Aug 2023, sat nav, 19"alloys, full leather, 20k, white **£16495**

16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 T-GDI GT-Line 5dr Automatic AWD, Kia warranty Sept 2023, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, 24k, black, full leather **£18495**

16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI KX-4 AWD 5dr, pan roof, sat nav, cruise, reverse camera, 23k, met red, full leather....**£18995**

16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRD GT-Line 5dr 4WD, sat nav, 19" alloys, reverse camera, heated seats, 16k, black with full leather £17495

16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRD KX-2 5dr Automatic 4WD, KIA warranty Oct 2023, sat nav, reverse camera, cruise, 24k, silver **£16495**

16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI First Edition 5dr AWD Automatic, Kia warranty Oct 2023, pan roof, sat nav, 19"alloys, reverse camera, 24k, white, full leather **£20995**

15 65 LAND ROVER DISCOVERY SPORT 2.0 TD4 180 HSE Black 5dr Automatic 4x4 7-Seater, pan roof, sat nav, reverse camera, 20"alloys, 26k, orange, full leather....**£25995**

11 11 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER 3.6 TDV8 Vogue SE 5dr Automatic 4WD, sat nav, sunroof, Harman kardon, 20"alloys, reverse camera, grey, full leather **£15495**

15 65 LAND ROVER RANGEROVER EVOQUE 2.0 TD4 HSE Dynamic 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, 20"alloys, 20k, red, full leather **£26495**

11 61 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER SPORT 3.0 SDV6 HSE 5dr Automatic, facelift, sat nav, rear dvds, reverse camera, tv, black, full leather **£16995**

12 62 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER SPORT 3.0 SDV6 HSE 5dr Automatic 4x4, 20"alloys, sat nav, heated seats, reverse camera, black, full leather....**£18995**

17 66 MERCEDES GLA200 D 4Matic Sport 5dr Automatic, Mercedes warranty Feb 2020, sat nav, red, 29k, full leather **£18495**

18 18 MINI COUNTRYMAN 1.5 Cooper ALL4 5dr, Mini warranty April 2021, chilli pack, sat nav, heated seats, only 1903 miles, green....**£21495**

13 63 MINI COUNTRYMAN 1.6 Cooper D All4 5dr, Privacy glass, Bluetooth, aux, usb, silver....**£9995**

15 65 MINI COUNTRYMAN 1.6 Cooper D ALL4 5dr, chilli + tlc pack, media pack – sat nav, heated seats, 37k, black, full leather **£12995**

15 65 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 John Cooper Works ALL4 3dr (218bhp), chilli + tlc pack, 39k, red, full leather **£14995**

14 64 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 COOPER D ALL4 3dr, chilli pack, media – sat nav, 17"black alloys, 34K, grey, half-leather **£9995**

15 15 MINI COUNTRYMAN 2.0 D Cooper Business Edition All4 5dr Automatic, sat nav, white **£12995**

14 14 NISSAN JUKE 1.6 DIG-T Nismo 5dr 4WD CVT Automatic (197bhp), sat nav, reverse camera, Bluetooth, 18" alloys, white **£9995**

16 16 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.6 DCI N-Connecta 5dr 4WD, Nissan warranty April 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, 16k, black **£14495**

15 65 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCI Tekna 5dr 4WD (7-Seater), sat nav, reverse camera, met green, full leather....**£15295**

16 16 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI BlueMotionTech R 5dr 4WD (300bhp), VW warranty June 2019, xenons, cruise, 15k, met blue ..**£19995**

16 66 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI R 5dr 4WD, VW warranty Feb 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, heated seats, 19k, red **£21995**

16 66 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI R 5dr DSG Automatic 4WD, VW warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 21k, choice....**£21995**

15 65 VW TIGUAN 2.0 TDI BMT Tech Match 4Motion 5dr, sat nav, 17"alloys, white....**£13495**

16 66 VW TOUAREG 3.0 TDI V6 BluemotionTech 262 R-Line 5dr Automatic 4WD, VW warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, pan roof, 18k, black, full leather....**£26995**

16 16 VOLVO XC60 2.4 D5 220 SE 5dr Automatic 4WD, Volvo warranty April 2019, sat nav, privacy glass, white, half-leather....**£20495**

211 Ninian Park Road Cardiff CF11 6NY **Only 5 minutes from Junction 33 on the M4** **029 20395777**

NO BUYERS OR ADMIN FEES
The price we advertise is the price you pay

DRIVE AWAY TODAY WITH ZERO DEPOSIT

Over 150 BMWs from £9495

Over 30 Qashqais from £9495

Over 60 MINIs from £7995

WIN
a luxury overnight stay and a sumptuous three course dinner for two at the Celtic Manor Resort
Go to our Facebook page to enter the FREE draw

14 64 AUDI A3 2.0 TDI S-Line 3dr, 18"alloys, cruise, Bluetooth, xenons, grey **£12995**

18 18 AUDI A4 AVANT 2.0 TDI Ultra SE Estate, Audi warranty May 2021, sat nav, cruise, privacy glass, Bluetooth, 2k, blue **£22995**

17 17 AUDI Q2 1.6 TDI S-Line 5dr, Audi warranty April 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 17k, white, half-leather **£21495**

15 15 AUDI Q3 2.0 TDI SE 5dr, LED headlight pack, Privacy glass, 17"Alloys, 25k, blue **£15995**

12 62 BMW 116 D EfficientDynamics 5dr, Bluetooth, black **£7995**

14 64 BMW 116 D M Sport 3dr, 18"alloys, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, 29k, blue **£11995**

15 65 BMW 116 D Efficient Dynamics Plus 5dr, sat nav, Bluetooth, cruise, dab, choice **£10795**

15 65 BMW 116 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, privacy glass, comfort pack, 17"alloys, 24k, choice **£11495**

15 64 BMW M135i 3.0 M Sports 5dr automatic, sat nav, Bluetooth, 34k, orange, full oyster leather **£16995**

15 65 BMW 218 D Sport Convertible, sat nav, Bluetooth, pdc, dab, usb, aux, grey **£13995**

16 16 BMW 218 ISE Convertible, BMW warranty Sept 2019, sat nav, Bluetooth, pdc, aux, usb, 17k, red **£13995**

16 66 BMW 320 D M Sport GT 5dr, BMW warranty Dec 2019, pro sat nav, heated seats, cruise, silver, full leather **£15495**

16 66 BMW 420 I Luxury Gran Coupe 4dr Automatic (184bhp), BMW warranty Oct 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, 16k, white, full leather **£19995**

16 16 BMW 420 D 190 M Sport 2dr Automatic (190bhp), sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather **£16995**

16 66 BMW 420 D M Sport Gran Coupe 5dr, BMW warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, heated seats, black, full leather **£19495**

16 66 BMW 430 D M Sport Gran Coupe Automatic, BMW warranty Sept 2019, pro sat nav, reverse camera, 19"alloys, black, full leather **£19995**

16 16 BMW 430i M Sport 2dr Automatic, M sport plus pack, 19" alloys, Harman Kardon, wide screen sat nav, met grey, full leather **£20995**

17 17 BMW 430 I M Sport Convertible Automatic, BMW warranty June 2020, 19"alloys, sat nav, Harman kardon, 2k, pink, full individual leather **£29995**

15 65 BMW 520 DM Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, 18"alloys, heated seats, choice, full leather **£13495**

18 18 BMW 520 I M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty July 2021, sat nav, xenons, cruise, 15k, white, full leather **£26995**

18 18 BMW 530 E M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty June 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, dab, 10k, blue, full leather **£31995**

14 14 BMW 640 DM Sport 2dr Automatic, sunroof, sat nav, head up display, soft close doors, 43k, carbon black, full ivory white leather **£19995**

15 65 BMW 640 DSE Gran Coupe 4dr Automatic, sat nav, 20"alloys, privacy glass, black, full leather **£20995**

16 66 BMW 640 3.0 D M Sport Gran Coupe 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Nov 2019, M sport + pack, sat nav, 20"alloys, privacy glass, choice, full leather, 9k, from **£24995**

16 65 CITROEN C4 CACTUS 1.2 Pure Tech (82) Feel 5dr, cruise, Bluetooth, 29k, white **£7995**

16 16 DS DS3 1.2 Puretech Elegance 3dr, ds warranty until June 2019, cruise, dab, 17"black alloys, 17k, yellow **£8995**

16 66 DS DS3 1.6 BlueHDI Chic 3dr, DS warranty Dec 2019, air-con, cruise, Bluetooth, white **£7495**

15 15 DS DS4 1.6 BlueHDI DStyle Nav 5dr, sat nav, cruise, pdc, aux, white **£6995**

16 16 FIAT 500 1.2 Pop 3dr, CD, aux, usb, 16k, white **£5795**

16 16 FIAT 500 1.2 Pop Star 3dr, air-con, alloys, aux, usb, 19k, black **£6495**

17 17 FIAT 500 1.2 Lounge 3dr, pan roof, Bluetooth, PDC, choice **£6995**

18 67 FIAT 500 1.2 Lounge 3dr, Fiat warranty Feb 2021, pan roof, cruise, Bluetooth, pdc, 9k, blue **£8495**

15 65 FIAT 500X 1.6 D MultiJet Cross 5dr, sat nav, 17"alloys, Bluetooth, privacy glass, pdc, 29k, white, half-leather **£9995**

16 66 FORD FIESTA 1.0 EcoBoost 140 ST-Line 3dr, Ford warranty Nov 2019, air-con, 17"alloys, privacy glass, 11k, choice **£10495**

18 67 FORD FIESTA 1.0 EcoBoost ST-Line 3dr (New Model), Ford warranty February 2021, sat nav, 17"Alloys, Bluetooth, 9k, black **£11995**

15 15 FORD FIESTA 1.5 TDCI Zetec 5dr, sat nav, Bluetooth, aux, usb, blue **£6495**

16 65 FORD FIESTA 1.6 EcoBoost ST-3 3dr (180bhp), sat nav, heated seats, xenons, 14k, white, half-leather **£11795**

16 66 FORD FIESTA 1.5 TDCI Titanium 5dr, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, aux, usb, 20k **£8795**

16 66 FORD FOCUS 1.5 TDCI Titanium X Estate, Ford warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, 17"alloys, 29k, black, half-leather **£12495**

17 17 FORD FOCUS 1.5 EcoBoost ST-Line 5dr (150bhp), Ford warranty July 2020, sat nav, Bluetooth, dab, 14k, grey **£13495**

14 14 FORD FOCUS 2.0 T ST-3 5dr (250bhp), Heated seats, aux, usb, 28k, blue, full leather **£12995**

15 65 FORD FOCUS 2.0 TDCI 185 ST-3 Navigation 5dr, sat nav, heated seats, blue, full leather **£12495**

16 65 FORD GRAND C-MAX 2.0 TDCI Titanium X Navigation 5dr (7-Seater), pan roof, sat nav, reverse camera, 6k, blue **£15995**

16 66 FORD KUGA 1.5 T EcoBoost ST-Line 5dr, Ford warranty Jan 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 23k, white, half-leather **£16995**

15 15 FORD MONDEO 2.0 TDCI Econetic Titanium 5dr, sat nav, cruise, dab, aux, choice **£8295**

17 17 HONDA CIVIC 1.5 VTEC Sport 5dr (180bhp), Honda warranty April 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, privacy glass, 23k, blue **£15495**

15 65 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRDI BlueDrive SE Nav 5dr, Hyundai warranty until Jan 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, 27k, choice **£12995**

17 17 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRDI BlueDrive SE Nav 5dr, Hyundai warranty Sept 2022, sat nav, heated seats, reverse camera, beige **£14995**

15 65 JAGUAR XE 2.0 D 180 R-Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, cruise, heated seats, dab, privacy glass, 25k, black, full leather **£16495**

16 66 JAGUAR XF 2.0 D (180) R-Sport 4dr Automatic, Jaguar warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, 18"alloys, heated seats, choice, full leather **£18495**

16 66 KIA OPTIMA 1.7 CRDI 2 4dr, Kia warranty Oct 2023, sat nav, reverse camera, 10k, silver **£12495**

17 67 KIA OPTIMA 1.7 CRDI ISG 2 Estate, sat nav, cruise, reverse camera, choice **£12495**

15 65 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI 2 ISG 5dr, Kia warranty Dec 2022, pan roof, cruise, 11k, white, half-leather **£12795**

17 67 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI 3 ISG 5dr, Kia warranty Sept 2024, pan roof, sat nav, 19"alloys, reverse camera, 19k, blue, full leather **£18495**

15 65 LEXUS CT200H 1.8 Advance Plus 5dr Automatic, sat nav, glass sunroof, 23k, white, half-leather **£15995**

16 16 MAZDA CX-5 2.2 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, black, full leather **£11495**

15 65 MERCEDES A180 1.5 CDI Sport 5dr Automatic, sat nav, Bluetooth, cruise, 35k, silver **£13995**

13 13 MERCEDES C220 CDI Blueefficiency Executive SE 2dr Coupe 7G-Tronic Automatic, silver, full leather **£9495**

14 64 MERCEDES C220 BlueTec Sport Premium Estate 7G Tronic, premium pack, pan roof, reverse camera, sat nav, white, full leather **£15995**

17 17 MERCEDES C220 D AMG Line 4dr 9G Tronic Automatic, Mercedes warranty June 2020, sat nav, 11k, choice, full leather **£20495**

15 65 MERCEDES C300 2.2 H Sport Premium Estate Automatic, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, 38k, blue, full leather **£19795**

18 67 MERCEDES C300H AMG Line 4dr Automatic, Mercedes warranty Feb 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, silver, 6k, full leather **£25995**

16 66 MINI CLUBMAN 2.0 S 6dr Automatic, Mini warranty Nov 2019, chilli + JCW pack, Media – sat nav, pan roof, 6k, choice, half-leather **£18995**

15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 5dr, chilli + tlc pack, 17"black alloys, 23k, grey, half-leather **£11495**

16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 5dr, Mini warranty Nov 2019, Bluetooth, dab, air-con, aux, usb, blue, 27k **£10995**

16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 3dr, Mini warranty Dec 2019, 17"black alloys, Bluetooth, aux, usb, 21k, silver **£10995**

17 17 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr, Mini warranty April 2020, chilli+tlc pack, media xl – sat nav, white, half-leather **£11995**

16 66 MINI COOPER 2.0 D S 5dr, Mini warranty Oct 2019, sat nav, cruise, privacy glass, Bluetooth, dab, 11k, choice **£12495**

17 67 MINI COOPER 2.0 S Seven 5dr (192bhp), Mini warranty Oct 2020, media pack XL, sat nav, chili pack, 7k, choice, half-leather **£14995**

13 13 MINI CONVERTIBLE 1.6 2dr, 17"alloys, Air-Con, dab, pdc, 43k, black **£7495**

11 61 MINI COUPE 1.6 Cooper S 3dr, chilli pack, heated seats, 54k, black, full leather **£6995**

15 15 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 Cooper 3dr, pepper+tlc pack, 17"black alloys, 28k, white with black roof **£10295**

15 65 NISSAN JUKE 1.6 DIG-T Tekna 5dr (187bhp), sat nav, reverse camera, white, full leather **£9495**

16 16 NISSAN JUKE 1.5 DCI Acenta Premium 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, 25k, white **£10295**

15 65 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 DCI N-Tec + 5dr, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, cruise, 10k, choice **£12995**

15 65 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 DCI Tekna 5dr, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, 29k, blue, full leather **£13295**

17 67 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.2 DIG-T Acenta 5dr (New Model), Nissan warranty Jan 2021, sat nav, tech pack, 5k, red **£14995**

15 15 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCI Acenta 5dr, pan roof, cruise, privacy glass, grey **£12495**

16 66 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCI Acenta 5dr X-Tronic 7-Seater, Nissan warranty Oct 2019, pan roof, cruise, 23k, black **£15995**

15 15 PEUGEOT 308 2.0 BlueHDI 150 GT-Line 5dr, sat nav, cruise, 19k, grey, half-leather **£10995**

17 67 RENAULT CAPTUR 0.9 TCE Energy Expression + 5dr, Renault warranty Nov 2021, Bluetooth, cruise, 6k, black **£10495**

14 64 RENAULT CAPTUR 1.5 DCI Dynamique S Medianav Energy 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, 19k, choice **£8295**

15 65 RENAULT CLIO 1.5 DCI 90 Dynamique S Nav 5dr, Renault warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, cruise, aux, Met Red **£7495**

17 67 RENAULT CAPTUR 1.5 DCI Dynaique 90 S Nav 5dr, Renault warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, cruise, pdc, Bluetooth, 10k, grey **£11995**

16 66 RENAULT KADJAR 1.5 DCI Energy S Dynamique Nav 5dr, Renault warranty Dec 2020, sat nav, 19"alloys, cruise, 9k, silver **£13995**

17 67 SEAT ALHAMBRA 2.0 TDI CR Ecomotive SE (150) 5dr (7-Seater), Seat warranty Dec 202, cruise, Bluetooth, choice from **£17495**

17 67 SEAT LEON 1.4 TSI 125 FR Technology 5dr, Seat warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 8k, choice from **£12795**

14 14 SEAT LEON 2.0 TDI 184 FR 3dr, Technology pack – sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 31k, red **£9995**

18 67 SEAT LEON 1.4 EcoTsi FR Technology Estate DSG Automatic, Seat warranty until Feb 2021, sat nav, cruise, choice **£13495**

16 16 SEAT LEON 2.0 TSI Cupra 3dr (290bhp), Seat warranty August 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 19"alloys, 15k, red, full leather **£16495**

17 67 SKODA KODIAQ 1.4 TSI Editon 150 5dr DSG Automatic (7-Seater), Skoda warranty Nov 2020, pan roof, sat nav, heated seats, 8k, brown, full leather **£24995**

17 17 SKODA SUPERB 2.0 TDI Laurin & Klement 5dr DSG Automatic, sat nav, Bluetooth, full leather, silver **£17995**

16 66 SKODA OCTAVIA 2.0 TDI SE-L 5dr, Skoda warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, Bluetooth, dab, black **£11495**

17 67 VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.6 CDTi Elite 5dr, Vauxhall warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, Bluetooth, 20k, silver, full leather **£11495**

15 15 VAUXHALL CORSA 1.4 T (100bhp) Limited Edition 3dr, cruise, 17"black alloys, 42k, red **£6295**

16 16 VAUXHALL INSIGNIA 1.6 CDTi ecoFLEX Design 5dr, Bluetooth, cruise, 28k, silver **£8795**

16 66 VAUXHALL INSIGNIA 2.0 CDTi 170 SRI VX-Line 5dr Automatic, Vauxhall warranty Oct 2019, 19"alloys, sat nav, cruise, 22k, black **£12495**

16 16 VAUXHALL MOKKA 1.6 Exclusive 5dr, 18"alloys, cruise, Bluetooth, choice **£8295**

16 66 VW POLO 1.4 TSI ACT Blue GT 3dr, VW warranty Dec 2019, electric glass sunroof, Bluetooth, cruise, choice **£11795**

16 66 VW SCIROCCO 2.0 TSI Bluemotion Tech R 3dr (280bhp), VW warranty Oct 2019, sat nav, 19"alloys, heated seats, 17k, white, full leather **£19495**

15 15 VW SCIROCCO 2.0 TDI 184 Bluemotion Tech R –Line 3dr DSG Automatic, sat nav, 19"alloys, 38k, silver, full leather **£14795**

17 67 CITROEN C3 1.2 PureTech Flair 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, cruise, 13k, blue **£9495**

15 64 FIAT 500 1.2 S 3dr, alloys, Bluetooth, usb, 22k, black, half-leather **£5995**

17 66 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 GDI 1 5dr, Kia warranty Feb 2024, Bluetooth, air-con, 20k, black **£11995**

17 17 JAGUAR XF 2.0 D 180 Portfolio 4dr Automatic, sat nav, reverse camera, 10k, white, full leather **£20995**

16 65 AUDI A1 1.6 TDI Sport 5dr, contrast roof, privacy glass, Bluetooth, 28k, silver **£11995**

15 15 VW BEETLE 2.0 TDI Design 3dr, air-con, pdc, 17"alloys, Bluetooth, 47k, black **£9495**

15 65 MERCEDES CLA200 D Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, privacy glass, 33k, grey, half-leather **£17495**

18 68 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRDI BlueDrive Go SE 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, 3k, white **£19495**

17 66 FORD FIESTA 1.0 ST-Line 3dr, sat nav, cruise, 31k, silver **£9795**

14 14 NISSAN JUKE 1.5 DCI Tekna 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, 23k, blue, full leather **£8795**

15 65 VAUXHALL CORSA 1.2 Sting 5dr, cruise, electric windows, 24k, red **£5995**

15 65 MERCEDES A180 CDI Sport Edition 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, 17"alloys, privacy glass, 17k, white, full **£14995**

14 14 DACIA SANDERO STEPWAY 0.9 TCE Laureate 5dr, sat nav, white **£4995**

14 14 BMW M235 3.0 I 2dr Automatic, pro sat nav, Harman kardon, red, full leather **£16495**

GARY WATSON MOTOR CO.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR FULL DETAILS

16 MERCEDES CLA180 Sport Auto
In white, 27,000 miles
£17,495

15 VW GOLF 1.6TD Bluemotion S Convertible
In metallic blue, 27,000 miles, 1 owner
£9,695

62 BMW XI 2.0D X DRIVE, X LINE
Mineral white, 40,000 miles, Nevada leather
£12,695

65 VW GOLF 2.0 4-MOTION R
In black, 71,000 miles, 1 owner hot hatch
£16,495

14 BMW 120D SE 5dr
In red, 60,000 miles, fantastic mpg + low road tax
£9,995

13 ASTON MARTIN DB9 6.0 V12 Auto In black, 20,000 miles, full Aston Martin service history **£64,995**
67 BMW X5 4.0D X DRIVE M-SPORT AUTO in black leather, 6,000 mils, high spec, 7 seater **£41,995**
63 JAGUAR F-TYPE 3.0 V6 'S' AUTO CONVERTIBLE in met grey, 17,000 miles, host of extras **£32,995**
03 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA 4 TRIPTRONIC S CONVERTIBLE in black with black leather optical hard-top, 73,000 miles.....**£19,995**
65 VW GOLF 2.0 4-MOTION 'R' 5dr in black, 71,000 miles, 1 owner, hot hatch **£16,495**
14 MERCEDES CLA200 AMG Sport Auto In metallic grey, 52,000 miles.....**£15,995**
11 AUDI Q5 S-Line Special Edition 2.0TDi In Met White, 50,000 miles with black leather trim **£15,695**
65 VW GOLF R-LINE 2.0 TDi AUTO 5dr in metallic grey, 33,000 miles, 1 owner **£14,495**
16 MINI CLUBMAN COOPER 2.0D AUTO in melting silver, 23,000 miles with sat-nav **£13,995**
64 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCi N-TEC 4X4 In met grey, 45,000 miles, glass sun roof etc **£13,495**
07 JAGUAR XK 4.2 Auto In met blue with ivory leather and navy hood, fantastic value at.....**£13,495**
13 MERCEDES E250 CDi Sport Coupe 2.2 Auto in red, 36,000 miles wiht pan roof + command **£12,995**
62 BMW Xi 2.0D X DRIVE, XLINE Mineral white, 40,000 miles, Nevada leather **£12,695**
64 MINI COUNTRYMAN 2.0D COOPER AUTO in straight blue, 28,000 miles.....**£11,995**
16 VW SCIROCCO 2.0TDi BLUE MOTION TECH in metallic blue, 46,000 miles, 1 owner **£11,995**
11 AUDI A5 S-LINE BLACK EDITION 2.0TDi COUPE in Monza silver, 48,000 miles **£11,995**
65 VW GOLF GTD ESTATE 2.0 TDi AUTO, metallic red with beige leather, 69,000 miles, sat nav..... **£10,995**
64 KIA Sportage 2 1.7CRDi In white, 37,000 miles, glass roof, etc.....**£10,995**
64 VW GOLF 2.0 GTD 5dr in metallic grey, 99,000 miles, fantastic MPG **£10,995**
63 BMW 118D M_Sport 5dr In silver, 37,000 miles, fantastic mpg & £30 road tax **£10,995**
57 RANGE ROVER SPORT 2.7 DIESEL HSE AUTO In black with black leather, high spec **£9,995**
54 AUDI RS6 AVANT QUATTRO 4.2 V8 Auto in met silver with black leather, 100,000 miles.....**£9,995**
14 BMW 120D SE 5-Dr In Red, 60,000 miles, fantastic MPG + low road tax **£9,995**
13 AUDI A1 S-Line 1.4 TFSi 5-DR Automatic In red, 73,000 miles, very nice example.....**£9,995**
10 RANGE ROVER 3-6 TDV8 Vogue Auto Galway green/black leather, Sat Nav .....**Reduced to £9,995**
15 VW Golf 1.6TD Bluemotion S Convertible, In metallic blue, 27,000 miles, 1 owner **£9,695**
64 FORD FOCUS 1.0 Titanium In met blue, 22,000 miles, £20 Road Tax **£9,495**
13 MINI Cooper S 'Bayswater Edition' In black with black leather, 52,000 miles, pan roof, etc.....**£9,495**
65 VW POLO 14TDi SE 5dr in white, 29,000 miles, FREE Road Tax **£8,995**
12 FORD GRAND C-MAX 2.0 TDCi Titanium, Auto, Met terrian with leather, 46,000 miles, 7 seater with sat nav, pan roof etc **£8,995**
16 SKODA FABIA 14 TDi SEI 5dr DN in white, 39,000 miles, 1 owner, high spec **£8,295**
09 AUDI A4 Avant S Line 2.0 TDi In black, 69,000 miles half leather, Xenons, etc **£8,295**
65 CITROEN C4 CACTUS BLUE HDi FEEL 1.6D In red, 37,000 miles, DAB radio, free road tax.....**£7,995**
65 SKODA FABIO 1.0 MPi SE 5-dr in black, 22.000 miles, 1 owner.....**£7,995**
62 MINI COOPER S 1.6 COUPE red with black roof, 32,000 miles, high spec **£7,995**
60 MAZDA MX5 i-Roadster 2.0 Automatic in black, 58,000 miles, FSH **£7,995**
16 PEUGEOT 308 ALLURE 1.2 5-dr in met blue, 59,000 miles, 1 owner, high spec **£7,995**
14 VAUXHALL MERIVA 1.4SE AUTOMATIC Met grey, 30,000 miles, 1 owner.....**£7,995**
13 BMW 118D SPORT 3-dr in red, 64,000 miles, 1 owner **£7,995**
62 HYUNDAI i40 Style Blue Drive 1.7 Diesel Estate In met blue, 65,000 mile sat nav etc **£7,295**
64 SEAT Ibiza 1.4 TOCA Estate In black, 14,000 miles, superb throughout **£6,995**
63 VAUXHALL ZAFIRA 1.8 Design Navigation In red, 27,000 miles, 7 seater.....**£6,995**
57 MAZDA MX5 2.0 SPORT Hard top convertible in red with black leather, 31,000 miles .....**From new £6,995**
12 VOLVO S80 SE Lux 2.0DS in met black with full cream leather, looks and drives superb **£6,995**
12 MINI ROADSTER 1.6 COOPER CONVERTIBLE in spice orange with cream leather, 46,000 miles..**£6,995**
14 FORD FIESTA 1.6 TDC ZETEC ECONETIC 5-dr in grey, 42,000 miles, FREE road tax **£6,795**
13 FORD C-Max Zetec 1.0 Turbo In silver, 69,000 miles, low running costs .....**Reduced by £1,000 to £6,495**
13 VW BEETLE 1.2 TSi in white, 50,000 miles, A/C etc **£6,995**
63 VAUXHALL Astra 2.0 CDTi SRi 5-Dr In ice blue, 45,000 mile .....**Reduced by £1,000 to £5,995**
60 FIAT 500 ABARTH Convertible Automatic in red, 58,000 miles **£6,795**
63 PEUGEOT 208 ALLURE 1.2 5-dr in black, 36,000 miles, low running costs **£6,495**
14 FIAT QUBO 1.2 DIESEL MY-LIFE In verde green, wheel chair adapted **£6,495**
12 KIA VENGA 3 ECO 1.6 in metallic red, 42,000 miles, glass roof etc.....**£6,495**
13 SKODA Rapid 1.2 TSi Elegance In met grey, 51,000 miles, ideal family hatch **£6,295**
63 KIA Rio 2 1.2 3-Dr In silver, only 11,000 miles from new.. .....**Reduced by £1,000 to £5,995**
63 VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.4 Excite 5-Dr met light bluek, 47,000 miles, alloys, A/C.....**£5,995**
62 TOYOTA YARIS 1.3 VVT-i SR 5-dr in white, 44,000 miles with sat nav etc **£5,995**
61 FORD FOCUS 16 ECO BOOST Titanium in met mustard olive, 66,000 miles **£5,995**
14 SUZUKI SWIFT 1.2 SZ4 5-dr in met grey, 36,000 miles, 1 owner.....**£5,995**
13 FORD Fiesta 1.5 TDCi Zetec 5-Dr In silver, 49,000 miles, free road tax.....**Reduced to £5,995**
13 KIA PICANTO 2 1.2 Automatic in silver, 13,000 miles, very desirabe at **£5,995**
95 VW CORRADO 2.9 VR6 COUPE in white with black leather, 124,000 miles, VW classic at **£5,995**
77 MGB ROADSTER in harvest gold, English classic on offer at.....**£5,995**
64 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.4 SE 5-Dr In met grey, 44,000 miles, a/c, etc .....**Reduced to £5,495**
60 MERCEDES B160 Blue Efficiency Sport In black, 64,000 miles, nice example **£4,995**
59 VW GOLF 2.0 TDi SE 3-dr in met grey, 77,000 miles, very nice example.....**£5,495**
10 MAZDA 3 TS2 1.6 5dr in electric blue, 66,000 miles **£4,695**
63 HYUNDAI I10 1.2 Active in red, 30,000 miles, low running costs.....**£4,695**
63 HYUNDAI i10 ACTIVE 1.2 5-dr in silver, 29,000 miles, low insurance **£4,695**
63 DACIA SANDERO AMBIANCE in black, 53,000 miles, low running costs **£4,495**
12 PEUGEOT 207 1.6 HDi Allure Estate in black, 67,000 miles, low running costs **£4,495**
62 SEAT Mii 1.0 SE Automatic in white, 59,000 miles, £20 road tax.....**£4,495**
10 HONDA CIVIC 1.8 ES 5-dr in polished grey, 96,000 miles, glass roof **£4,495**
13 MITSUBISHI MIRAGE 2 1.2 5-dr in black, 32,000 miles, low insurance **£4,495**
63 DACIA SANDERO AMBIANCE in black, 53,000 miles, low running costs **£4,495**
12 PEUGEOT 207 1.6 HDi Allure Estate in black, 67,000 miles, low running costs **£4,495**
62 SEAT Mii 1.0 SE Automatic in white, 59,000 miles, £20 road tax.....**£4,495**
63 DACIA SANDERO AMBIANCE in black, 53,000 miles, low running costs **£4,495**
12 PEUGEOT 207 1.6 HDi Allure Estate in black, 67,000 miles, low running costs **£4,495**
62 SEAT Mii 1.0 SE Automatic in white, 59,000 miles, £20 road tax.....**£4,495**
54 MAZDA MX5 1.8 ARCTIC in silver with grey leather, 40,000 miles with optional hard top **£3,695**
05 PEUGEOT CLIO 2.0 SPORT 182 in black, 92,000 miles, superb example at **£3,495**
09 FIAT 500 POP 1.2 in white, 42,000 miles, low insurance **£3,395**
59 MAZDA 3 1.6 S 5dr, in electric blue, 67,000 miles, ideal family car.....**£3,995**
13 SUZUKI ALTO 1.0 SZ Free, 5-Dr, In cherry pink, 37,000 miles, 1 owner, free road tax.....**£3,995**
60 SUZUKI ALTO 1.0 524 in met pink, 16,000 miles from new **£3,495**

13 AUDI A1 S-LINE 1.4 TFSi 5-DR Automatic
In red, 73,000 miles, very nice example
£9,995

10 RANGE ROVER 3-6 TDV8 VOGUE Auto
Galway Green/black leather, sat nav
£9,995

63 VAUXHALL ASTRA 2.0 CDTI SRi
Ice blue, 45,000 mile diesel hatch
£5,995

11 AUDI Q5 S-Line Special
Metallic white, 50,000 miles, black leather trim
£15,695

65 VW GOLF GTD ESTATE 2.0TDi Auto
Metallic red with beige leather, 69,000 miles, sat nav
£10,995

ALL CARS SUPPLIED WITH NEW MOT AND 3 MONTHS RAC WARRANTY
• FINANCE PACKAGES TO SUIT ALL • 0% DEPOSIT FINANCE AVAILABLE
• ALL CARS HPi CLEAR • PART EXCHANGE WELCOME • OPEN 7 DAYS
• CARS BOUGHT FOR CASH • ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS TAKEN

hpi RAC blackhorse
Apply Now! Get a Quote Drive Away

BROAD STREET, BARRY CF62 7AE 01446 722600
www.GARYWATSONMOTORCOMPANY.co.uk

Honours even as Llantwit Major AFC's streak continues!

LLANTWIT Major AFC travelled to Cambrian & Clydach Vale who were lying in third position in the league table, aiming to continue their fine run which has seen them suffer only one defeat in their last eight league games.

In blustery but dry conditions, Llantwit played against the wind in the first half. Both sides were evenly matched in the opening exchanges and in the 20th minute, Llantwit created their first goalscoring opportunity when, from a free kick into their opponents' goal area, defender Sean Williams headed the ball back across the six-yard box to striker Max Morgan, whose shot was pushed away by the Cambrian keeper.

In the resultant scramble the ball was eventually cleared by a Cambrian defender. Within a minute Cambrian took the lead when a well-worked corner move resulted in a shot that Llantwit keeper Jack Lansdown partly saved, but the rebound was headed home by the Cambrian striker from a yard out.

Llantwit tried to respond but did not really create any further chances for the remainder of the half, but they were indebted to defender Kristian Evans who prevented a second Cambrian goal when he had to head the ball away off the goal line just before the half-time whistle blew.

With the wind behind them in the second half, it was a different Llantwit team who grew in confidence and started to put Cambrian under pressure.

Four minutes into the half, left wing Rob Jones had an opportunity to score from around 12 yards out, but his shot was straight at the keeper. In the 73rd minute, Llantwit were unlucky not to equalise when striker Anthony Rawlings broke through on the right hand side of the goal area and his shot from around 15 yards out brought a fine save from the Cambrian keeper.

Further Llantwit pressure finally paid dividends in the 77th minute when a corner taken by left back Connor Goldsworthy saw centre half Sean Williams outjump his marker at the far post to head home powerfully from around four yards out for a fine goal.

Three minutes later, from another corner, Sean was unlucky not to score a second when this time he produced a left footed volley from around eight yards out that just went over the crossbar. Llantwit tried to get the winner but it was not to be, and the game ended in a draw.

Llantwit will be pleased to obtain another point away from home against one of the top teams in the league. This draw has now seen Llantwit suffer just one defeat in their last nine league games and on their day Llantwit are more than capable of competing at this level of football in their first season in Division 1 of the Welsh League.

Llantwit's next League game will be away to Goytre on Saturday, March 16 with a 2.30pm kick off.

Llantwit Major: Jack Lansdown, Jamie Miller, Kristian Evans, Sean Williams, Connor Goldsworthy, Lewis Brown (Nathan Jones 49), Mike Hartley (Lee Jones 85), Jonathan Butler (c), Rob Jones, Max Morgan (Josh Jones 56), Anthony Rawlings. Substitutes not used: Kyran Gardner, Nathan Renfree.

DJ

Sean Williams heads home for Llantwit Major AFC's equaliser.

Youth team edge high-scoring game

COWBRIDGE RFC youth made it through to the next round of the Blues Cup with a close 42-38 victory in a very high-scoring game away at Llanishen.

With a couple of boys making their youth debut the team was a new one. David Harris made his debut in the front row and Ioan Davis in the back row. Both boys had great games and will be positive additions to the squad.

Playing on Llanishen's excellent new 4G facilities, the boys started the game well, only for the Llanishen outside centre to intercept a long pass just inside his own 22.

He had enough pace to make it to the try line despite Jake Thomas's desperate attempt to catch up the 10-metre head start.

Cowbridge responded well, keeping Llanishen camped inside their own 22 for the next five minutes. From an attacking line 10 metres from the Llanishen line, Jack Dixon crashed over following a flat pass by Ioan Lewis, which Lewis converted.

Llanishen came straight back at Cowbridge and following a number of short pick up drives, went over close to the Cowbridge posts. With the wind at their backs, Cowbridge took full advantage wi,th some excellent tactical kicking.

From another attacking line out, Cowbridge went through the phases and Langton-Cryer, the impressive second row, crashed over under the posts. Lewis converted to level the scores at 14-14.

From the kick-off, Cowbridge cleared their lines only for the strong wind to carry the ball over the dead ball line, resulting in a scrum to Llanishen five metres inside Cowbridge 22.

They recovered the ball only for the clearing kick to be charged down for an opportunistic try. Cowbridge were struggling to execute their game plan and continued to make too many simple mistakes.

From a scrum on the Llanishen 10-metre line, Cowbridge put together a well-worked backs move, putting Jake Thomas clear on the left wing.

Thomas side-stepped his opposite number and had the pace to make it to the try line before the Llanishen full back could make a tackle.

With the first half coming to an end, Ben Jones, the Cowbridge open-side flanker managed to get a turnover at the breakdown.

Ioan Williams fed his backs who, with simple passing, put Jake Thomas clear for his second try in as many minutes to give Cowbridge the advantage, 28-21.

With Cowbridge expecting half-time, Llanishen produced their best team move of the half. The forwards kept possession tight with a number of pop passes, before their inside centre switched the direction of the attack and put the left winger clear for a half-time score of 28-26.

With Cowbridge now playing into the strong wind, the boys had to change their tactics and keep the ball in hand a lot more. This worked and Cowbridge had far more possession and territory than in the first half.

However, with all the possession and territory, Cowbridge could not break down a resilient Llanishen defence. Cowbridge did manage to cross the Llanishen try a line a number of times only for the referee to deem the ball held up.

With 15 minutes remaining, Cowbridge finally scored in the second half. From a five-metre attacking scrum, Evan Thomas fed Dan Stancombe who forced his way over from a few metres out.

Cowbridge were now on top and kept Llanishen camped inside their 22. From another attacking line out, Evan Thomas fed Jack Dixon who crashed over for his second try of the game.

With game entering its final stages Llanishen got themselves an attacking five-metre scrum. From the scrum, the Llanishen forwards out-muscled the Cowbridge defence to force themselves over the line.

Cowbridge responded by throwing the ball around, looking for their seventh try of the game. However, one pass too many allowed the flying Llanishen winger to intercept the ball and run the length of the field for Llanishen's sixth try of the game.

GJ

Two wins on the bounce for the Tigers

HEAVY rain put paid to many games this Sunday, and Llantwit Major RFC under-13 Tigers were fortunate to find a playable surface at the picturesque Rest Bay pitch of Porthcawl RFC for this weeks game.

This third head-to-head of the season for the teams provided Porthcawl with the chance to avenge their previous two losses, but also gave the Tigers a chance to extend their winning run following last week's victory away to Bedwas.

With only two points separating the teams when they last met in January, this fixture was expected to be another evenly-matched encounter and this proved to be the case.

With the wind at their backs in the first half, the Tigers struck quickly with a classic burst from captain and No 8, Dan Bartlett, who dotted down under the posts to provide an easy conversion for kicker Thomas George.

Porthcawl quickly replied with their own try, but failed with the conversion with the ball almost blown back behind the kicker due to the wind.

Keeping the ball in hand, back rower, and eventual man of the match, Kelyn Joseph, was next on the score sheet with a barrelling run from close range. This time the conversion was from a more difficult angle, but kicker Ethan Harding was able to curl the ball between the posts.

Porthcawl responded once again with an unconverted try before the Tigers counter punched, with a close range effort finished by Dan Bartlett who managed to power over after some great build-up play by both backs and forwards.

Supporters were treated to yet another superb conversion, this time by Thomas George who from wide on the left used the wind to draw the ball between the uprights.

Porthcawl flew out of the blocks in the second half and took the lead with two converted tries, taking advantage of some weak Tigers defence. With the conditions now in their favour, the home team seemed to be on course to avenge their previous defeats.

The Tigers, however, had other plans. From their own half, and against all sound judgement, outside half Harvey Jones in his first game in the position, launched outside centre Fred O'Carroll, who was able to outstrip the home defence with a blistering run and go under the posts to take back the lead.

Even in front of goal the conversion was not a certainty as the wind had not abated one bit, but Thomas George took the responsibility and nailed this one as well to complete an incredible 100 per cent kicking performance by the goalkickers.

With five minutes remaining, the Tigers smartly reverted to playing keep-ball to run out the clock close to the Porthcawl line.

But one mistake provided the home team with the chance to clear their lines with a kick that was expertly dealt with by full back Tom Sheldon who positioned himself perfectly to deal with the threat.

The final whistle brought relief to both players and supporters, not only in holding out for the victory but it also coincided with a burst of heavy hail which sent everyone scattering for shelter.

A great game and result for the Tigers, especially as they experimented with players in new positions and gave a debut to second rower Cameron Hegney who showed great promise and capped off a sterling performance with a storming second half run.

Commiserations to Porthcawl on this occasion, but Llantwit Major Tigers look forward to continuing the close rivalry next season.

Squad: Kian Barnett, Dan Bartlett (c), Robert Dixon, Thomas George, Ethan Harding, Cameron Hegney, Jakub Jeziorski, Harvey Jones, Tom Jones, Kelyn Joseph, Dexter Milburn, Fred O'Carroll, Ben Raymond, Tom Sheldon and Cameron Wheadon.

SJ

Action from the game against Porthcawl.

Cowbridge Darts League round-up

ON Tuesday, March 5, it was a full evening of darts at Llanharry Workingmen's Club as they hosted the Men's and Ladies' Doubles Knock-out competition. The Men's Doubles had 24 entries and the Ladies' Doubles had five entries.

The outcome of the Men's competition is that Paul Butcher and Luke Richards (Edmondes B) will play Lee Davies and Mike Newble (Llanharry) in the final on Finals Night.

Paul Butcher and Luke Richards (Edmondes B) defeated Dan Thomas and Oliver Ladbrooke-Davies (One Town Hall Square) in a close semi-final 2-1. Lee Davies and Mike Newble (Llanharry) won their semi-final 2-0 against Martin Gaffney and Frank Butler (Edmondes B).

The outcome of the Ladies' competition is that the defending champions Amanda Hole and Mickey Wilcox (Red Lion) will play Amanda Edwards and Katie George (Victoria Inn). Amanda Hole and Mickey Wilcox defeated Trish Kinman and Maggie Drummond (Edmondes A) in their semi-final, while Amanda Edwards and Katie George (Victoria Inn) defeated Shirley Evans (Farmers Arms) and Jean Curnow (Red Lion) in the other semi-final.

Present league standings, after 14 weeks, are: Edmondes B (97 points), Highwayman Inn (91), Edmondes A (75), Llanharry (62), Victoria Inn (57), Farmers Arms (55), Hairy Farmers (51), One Town Hall Square (43), Edmondes C (38) and Red Lion Inn (16).

Next week on Tuesday March 19, One Town Hall Square host the Red Lion Inn, the Edmondes A host the Highwayman Inn, the Hairy Farmers host the Farmers Arms, the Edmondes C host the Edmondes B and Llanharry host the Victoria Inn. The action will start at 8.15pm and spectators are welcome.

For further information, e-mail Paul at cowbridgedarts@gmail.com, up-to-date information can be found on the website: www.darts.apsn.co.uk.

PJT

SIX NATIONS 2019

SCOTLAND 11 WALES 18

The Grand Slam is still on but Gatland's Welsh comeback kings get a taste of their own medicine!

Man of the match Hadleigh Parkes kicks ahead for Wales.
Match report by Philip Irwin.
All photographs by the Huw Evans Agency.

Ross Moriarty made several powerful charges in the first half, but after the break it was Wales' defence that was tested.

AFTER this baffling match in Murrayfield, Wales remain on course to go for the Grand Slam next Saturday in the Principality Stadium against Ireland, but it was not a comfortable watch.

In the opening Six Nations game, Wales started slowly against France, but stormed back in the second half to win – and then they did the same against England, so after an excellent first 40 minutes, when the Welsh side got on top and varied their play intelligently, they went into the break in complete control against a Scotland side that was ravaged by injuries.

However, with the benefit of hindsight, there was a unlikely echo of the English encounter just before half time.

England, remember, were leading 10–3 when Jonny May chased down Liam Williams and forced him into touch five metres out. It was the final play of the first half, and an England score could have put the games out of Wales' reach, but great defence held the English line-out drive, and Wales were able to regroup during the break.

Yesterday, two minutes before half time, and with Wales leading 15–6, Gareth Anscombe sent a superb penalty from a narrow angle spiralling perfectly to find touch just five metres out. A try could have taken the score to 20–6, or even 22–6, but Scotland held the line-out drive.

They did, however, concede a penalty, but Anscombe hit the post. Even then, Hadleigh Parkes claimed the rebound and Wales recycled the ball and sent it out to the in-form Josh Adams, who fancied his chances against substitute Adam Hastings, but the Scot made a great tackle.

Now, it was Scotland's turn to regroup during the interval and they made a startling resurgence.

They had started the match with two of their first-choice back three (Stuart Hogg and Sean Maitland) out injured.

Before 30 minutes had passed, two more (Tommy Seymour and Blair Kinghorn) had departed and a fifth attacking threat, the twinkle-toed Darcy Graham, lasted only until the 64th minute before needing repairs.

Wales coach Warren Gatland hinted that, perhaps, a touch of complacency set in among the Welsh side during the break, while captain Alun Wyn Jones simply said that Wales could not get hold of the ball in the second half.

Certainly, the Scots produced a supercharged but mistake-ridden second half where they let scoring chances slip on several occasions.

However, they managed to retain possession after many of their mistakes, with fumbles going backwards and misplaced passes being tidied up by a navy blue jersey rather than a red.

On top of that, the penalty count moved heavily against Wales, so much so that, with 10 minutes remaining, referee Pascal Gauzere gave Alun Wyn Jones the "next one is in the bin" talk.

After the game, Scotland coach Gregor Townsend made it clear that he felt that talk should have been made 10 to 15 minutes earlier.

Wales paid a price for Scotland's resurgence too, as Liam Williams, who had been having an outstanding game, went off injured. One Aussie Rules-style catch, taking the ball high above his head, will live long in the memory. It looked like a damaged collar bone but, at the time of writing, is being described as a 'stinger' which gives him hope of playing next Saturday.

His injury was linked to the one occasion that Wales' rush defence was out-flanked. They say that a long pass can do this, and in this case that pass fell into the hands of Allan Dell. The Scottish prop looked a touch nonplussed at first, looking for a quicker man to pass to, but realising that there was no one near, he showed a clean pair of heels to Alun Wyn Jones and had worked up a real head of steam when Liam Williams was forced to throw himself into the path of the truck.

On the injury front, Wales seem to have survived this game, although Hadleigh Parkes and Adam Beard looked as if they had gone 15 rounds with Anthony Joshua.

It had all seemed so smooth in the first half. Scotland did score first after 10 minutes with a Finn Russell penalty after Josh Navidi was ruled offside, but within five minutes Wales were ahead.

Quick hands out right meant Wales made ground and then, when the ball was moved left, centre Jonathan Davies drew his man and passed to Josh Adams. The left wing was short of room to work with, but skinned the Scots full back, Kinghorn, and crossed in the corner before running round to touch down behind the posts. It was a really sharp finish, although the re-runs suggested that the pass to him was slightly forward. Anscombe converted.

Scotland came back and Darcy Graham, who has more than a touch of Shane Williams about him, beat defenders with barely any room. One suspects he wears bright yellow boots to highlight his dazzling footwork!

The attack broke down but Scotland were awarded a penalty that reduced the margin to just one point.

However, four minutes later Anscombe restored Wales' lead, splitting the posts from 42 metres.

On the 25-minute mark, Wales made it 15–6. They put George North at the front of the line out, and the wing made ground, before a series of pick and goes sucked in the defence. When the ball was moved wide, centre Jonathan Davies was spoiled for choice. He could have put Adams in for a second, but a gap opened up and he scored himself. It was as clinical a move as Wales have put together all year.

It carried on going Wales' way. By now, Seymour and Kinghorn had left the field, and Ross Moriarty was enjoying himself, catching the Scottish restarts and crashing through tackles. The Murrayfield crowd was quiet.

There was the aforementioned chance to increase the lead, but all was fine and dandy as Wales left the field for the half time team talk.

It all changed in the second half, with Scotland attacking furiously. Hamish Watson, returning from injury and short of match fitness, was like a man possessed when he came on, bouncing off would-be tacklers and making yards every time he had the ball.

He epitomised the Scottish fightback, burning with frustration and anger at the way things had gone in the first half.

Liam Williams picked up his injury 10 minutes into the half, and Dan Biggar replaced him,

The Scots had a lucky break when Hadleigh Parkes was harshly penalised for a high tackle. Finn Russell kicked for the corner after that penalty, and Wales held the line-out drive, but had to react quickly when Grant Gilchrist forced his way over – turning the second row onto his back and stopping him grounding the ball.

Wales were rattled. Biggar had a chance to put in a relieving penalty kick, but slipped and his miscue made just 10 yards. To make matters worse, Wales were failing to win their own line-outs, so the pressure came back on them.

Soon after, George North fell foul of M. Gauzere, being penalised for a choke tackle, even though he had his hand firmly on the ball as he contested possession with Ali Price.

This time, the Scots worked a sharp backs move, with Finn Russell giving an inside pass to Byron McGuigan, who put Darcy Graham clear for his first international try. Russell's pass appeared to be forward, but Wales could hardly complain after a similar call in the first half.

The try went unconverted, but it was now 15–11. At a ruck, Gareth Davies shouted at the referee, demanding a penalty. There's too much of this these days, and he was rewarded by seeing the penalty go against Wales!

There was a chance for Wales to restore their lead when Adams kicked ahead after a loose Scottish pass. Jonathan Davies continued the attack, and a score seemed likely, but Wales' first half coolness had gone missing and the chance went begging.

ABOVE:
Blair Kinghorn can only watch as Josh Adams crosses for Wales' first try.

The next 12 minutes were agony for Welsh spectators. Scotland were camped in the 22, and a series of penalties were kicked into the corner to keep Wales on the rack.They did, however, keep all 15 on the pitch and this made a difference. Young Aaron Wainwright came on with fresh legs and Wales demolished a planned Scottish line out drive, pushing them back 10 metres and earning a much-needed penalty,

Fortunately for Wales, Scotland continued to make errors. One 15-phase attack ended with the Scots 30 yards further away from the Welsh line than when they started.

Before the match was over, Wales had one more lucky break. Price chased a kick ahead and, failing to notice that the bounce had beaten Gareth Anscombe, tackled him regardless. It meant that Wales had a relieving penalty kick and, from the next phase of play, they had a kickable penalty, which Anscombe slotted to make it 18-11.

The match finished soon after, and the camera turned to Warren Gatland in the stands.

The Welsh head coach seemed a little underwhelmed by the victory!

PHILIP IRWIN